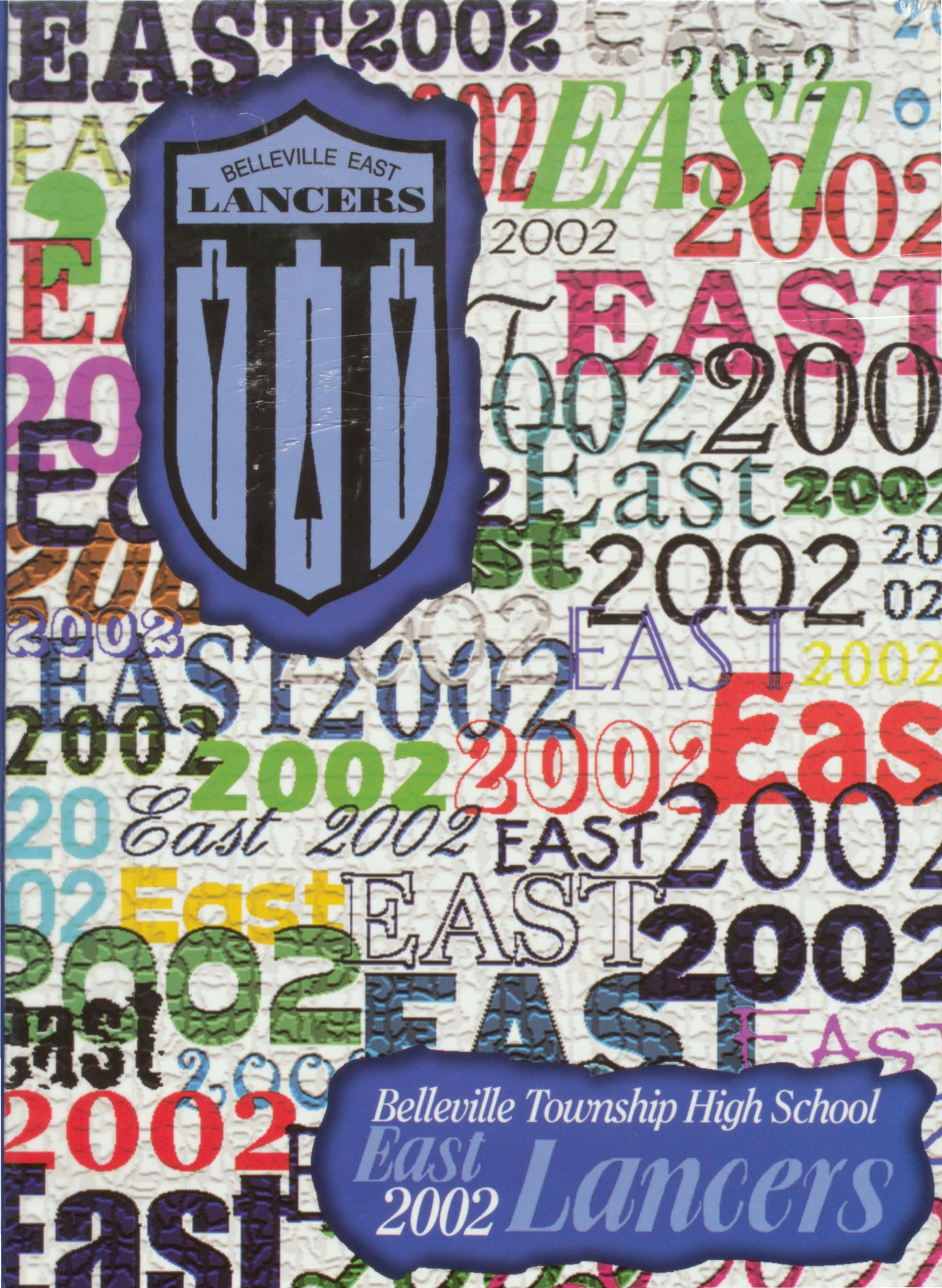
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East 2002 Lancers

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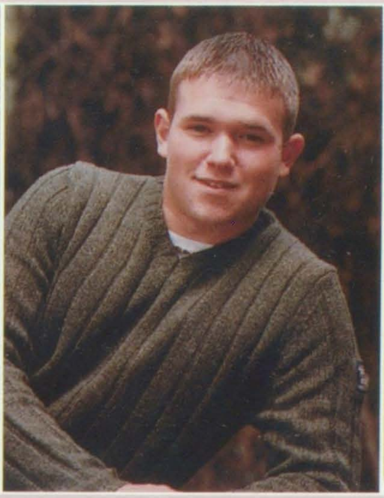
William Kuester - Model UN 1-4 (Research directer 4), Math Team 1-4, Concert Band 1-2, Symphonic Band 3, Concert Choir 4, Bass Choir 3,4, Spring Musical 2-4, Little Theatre 2-4, Debate 1,2



Ricky Kusmer - Baseball 1-4

Jackie Langston

LOVE: IN AN EXOTIC LOCATION OR JUST DOWN THE HALL?

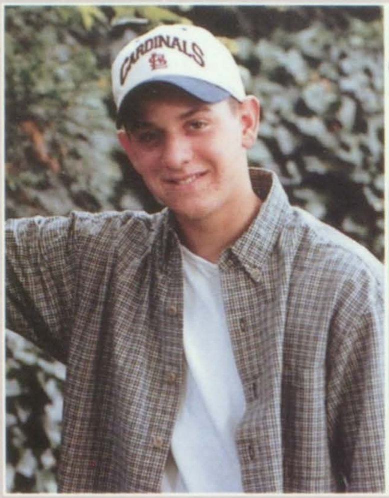
Every little girl's dream: kissing the boy she loves in some exotic location while the sun sets dramatically in the background. In high school, students search for love - from unlikely corners of the school to the safe fallback of an affair with a close friend. For four years, students experiment with love and relationships. And do they find that perfect someone to kiss as the sun sets? Maybe.

Some teenagers are just looking for a good time. They don't want to be tied down; after all, this is only high school and college years (and the future beyond that) has yet to come. "With the exception of a few relationships," said junior Lauren Williams, "people are just doing the dating thing and trying to have fun."

The "dating thing," however, has led quite a few students into serious relationships. Senior Jon Brough realized that he had been in a relationship of some sort or another for almost as long as he had attended West. The "dating thing" became so serious for some teens that they even discussed the possibility of marrying that high school sweetheart.

The middle road - and the past most frequently travelled - lies in the hallways. A majority of students are content to just kiss their current hunny in the "privacy" of a nook or cranny in the West campus. Public displays of affection are a source of debate among students, teachers, parents, and *Hy News*.

Whether these relationships will last forever or the next few days remains unknown. But until then, little girls and boys will continue to imagine that perfect boy they will (hopefully) meet - in high school or the future beyond. • *Danielle Borsch*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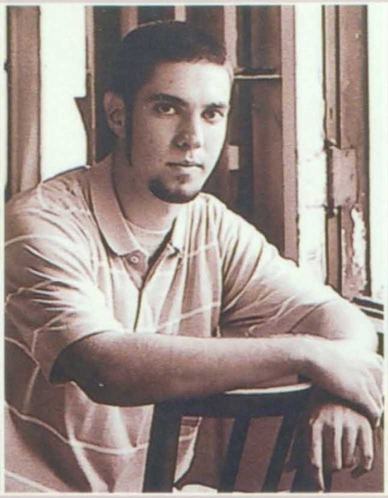
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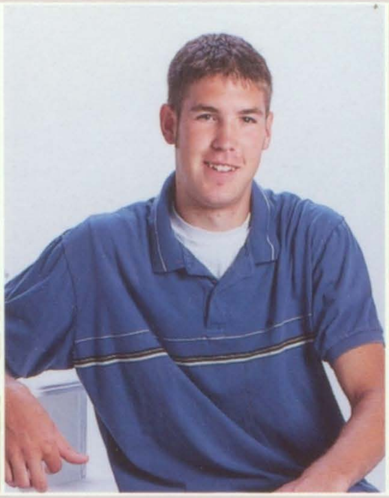
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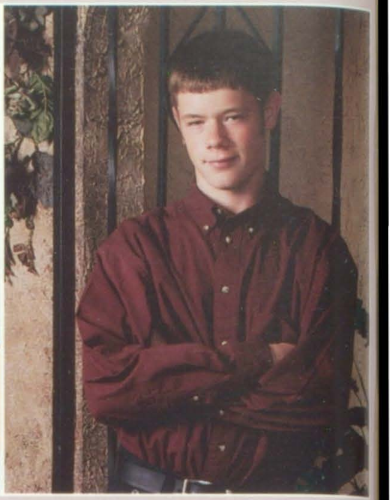
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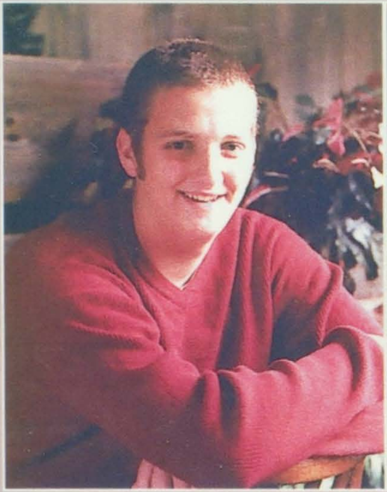
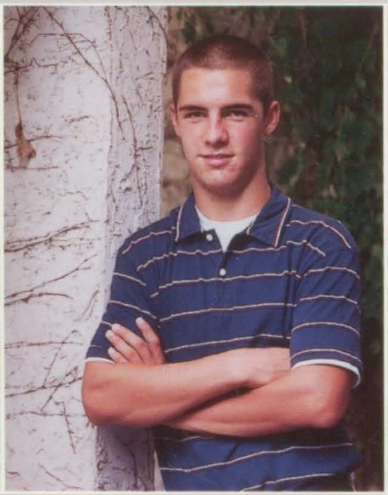
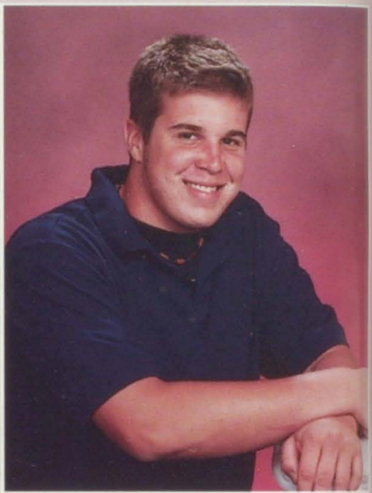

Gregory Glenn Little - Symphonic Band 2-4, Pep Band 1-4, Little Theatre 1-4, One Acts 1-4, Children's Play 3-4, Spring Musical 3,4, Fall Play 2, Marching Band 1-3, Spanish Club 1, Contest Play 4

Kate Lobstein - Little Theatre 3,4, Color Guard 3,4, Latin Dance Team 3,4(Historian 3), History Club 1-4, Spanish Club 2-4, Bellevillettes 4, French Club 4, Youth Alive 3,4, Thespians 4


Michael Robert Lodes - Jazz Band 2-4, Symphonic Band 1, Spring Musical 1-4, Concert Band 1, Pep Band 1-4, Baseball 1, Marching Band 1,2, NHS 3,4, Model U.N. 2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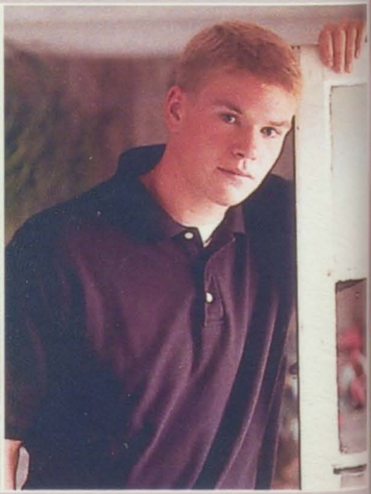
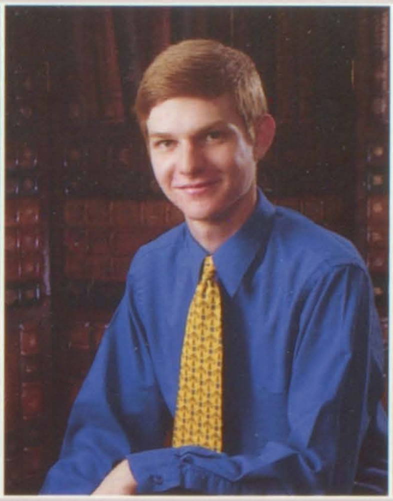

Joshua Lueking - Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1,2

"Let's go ...

Jade Kristen Luistro - French Club 2,3

Wendy MacEwan - German Club 1-4 (Sec. 1,2, Pres. 3,4), Octagon Club 1-4 (Pres. 3), FTA 1-4 (Sec. 3), Bellevillettes 2-4, Frosh Chorus 1, Treble Choir 2, History Club 1,2, Lifesavers 1, Frames 1



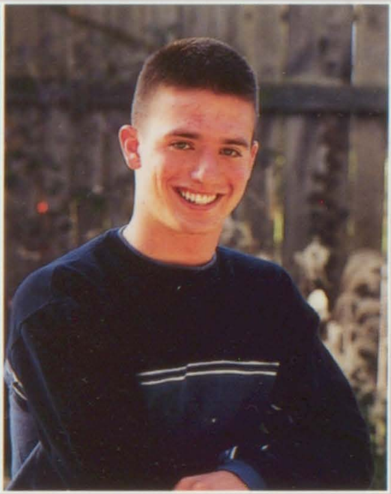
Brayton Maine - Model U.N. 1-4, Science Olympiad 2-4, Symphonic Band 2-4, Orchestra 4, Jazz Band 2-4, Pep Band 1-4, NHS 3,4, One Acts 2, Fall Play 2,3, Little Theatre 2,3

Sarah E. Mallard - Little Theatre 1-4, Thespians 3,4, Children's Play 1-4 (Lead 2), Bellevillettes 2-4, Concert Choir 3,4, *Bellevinois* 2, Youth Alive 1,2, Spanish Club 1,2, Frosh Chorus 1, Treble Choir 2

Jennifer Manta

Tiana Marable - Office Occupations

Scott Andrew Marchand - Golf 1-4, Volunteer West 1,2, *Bellevinois* 1, Frames 1



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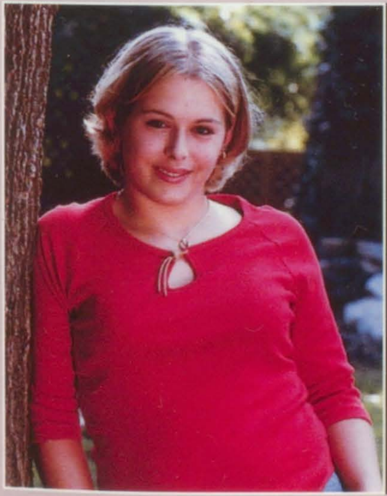
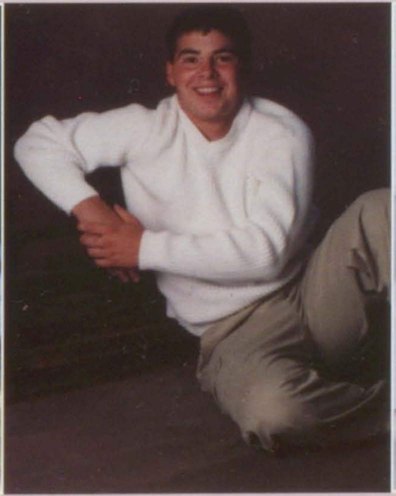
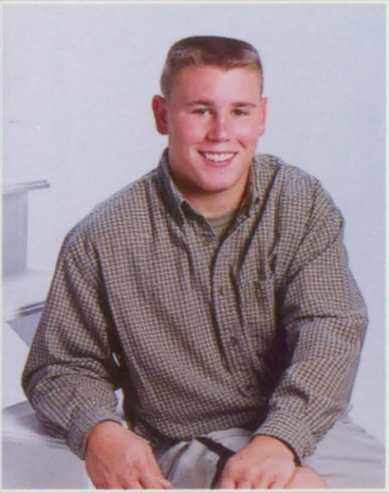


Jennifer Marty - NHS 4



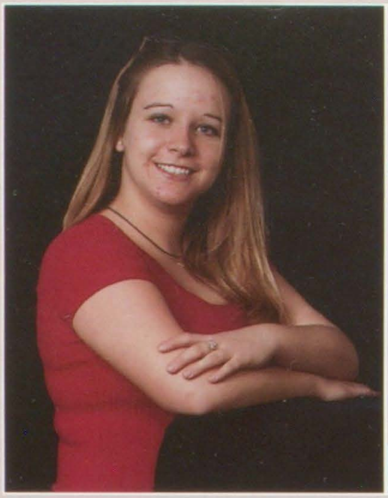
Timothy Matecki - Welding Shop Foreman, Basketball 1, Frames 1



Lance Mayer - Football 1-4, Wrestling 1

James McCormack

***... stand in a puddle." •* Erin Stack, '02**



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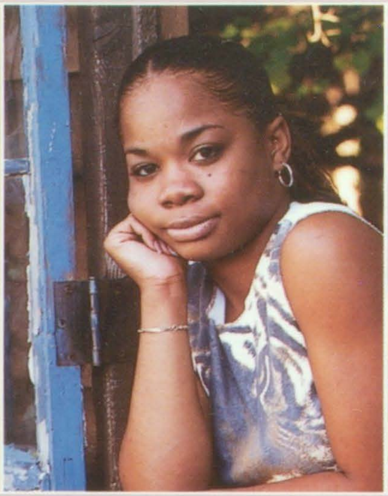

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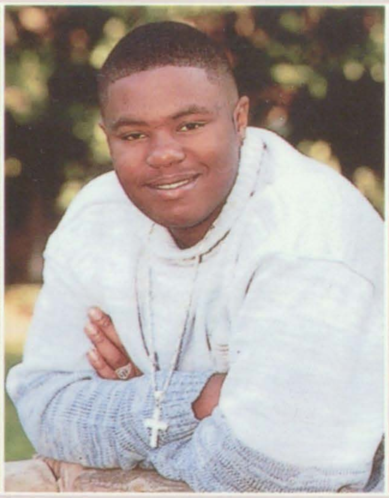

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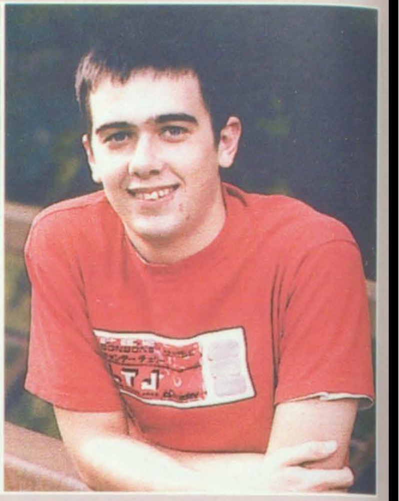

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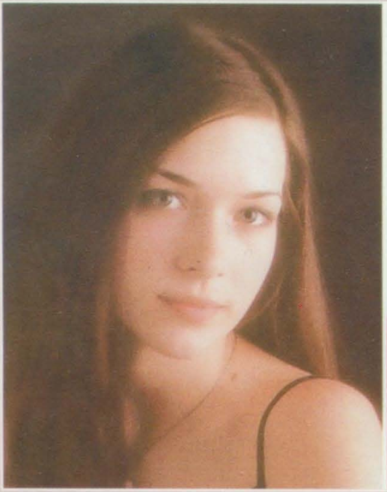
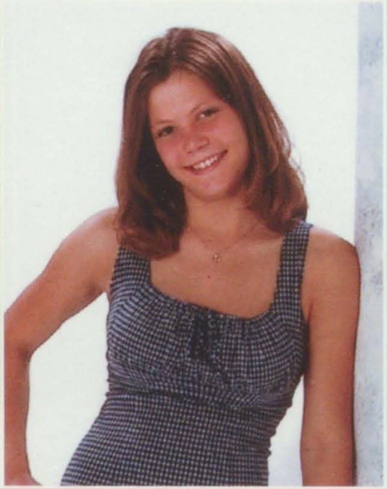
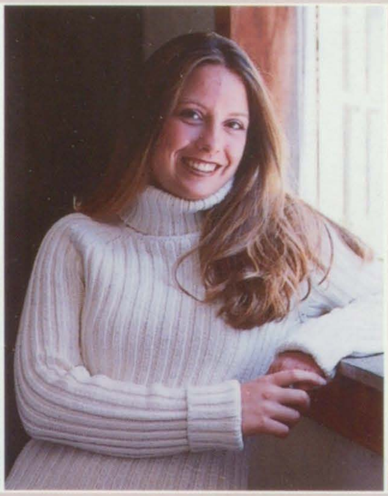


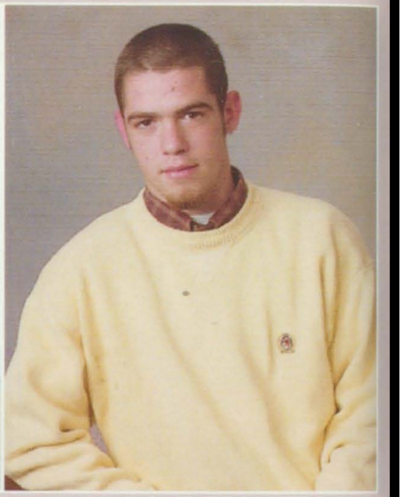
Katie H. McManus - NHS 3,4, Orchestra 2-4, Symphonic Band 2, French Club 1-4, Little Theatre 1-4, *Hy News* 3, History Club 1-4, Model UN 2,3, Volunteer West 1,2,4, Prom Committee 3



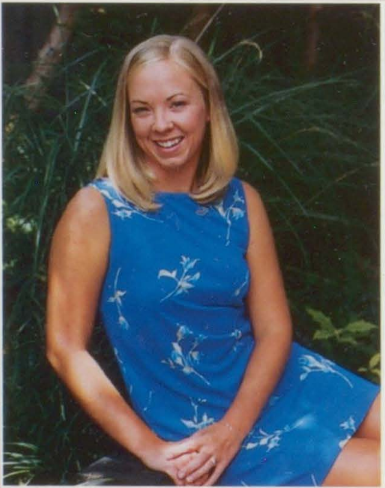
Anna Christina Mehrtens - Track, FTA, Volunteer West, FCA, Frames, German Club



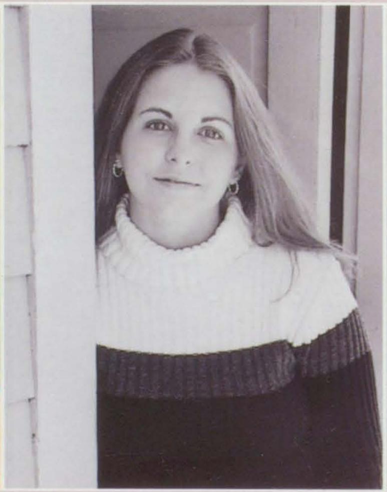
Kimberly L. Melahn - Pep Club 2-4 (Chair 4), Volunteer West 2,4, Student Council 3,4 (Treas. 3, V.P. 4), Mr. Maroon Chair 3, Track 1,2, Frames 1-4



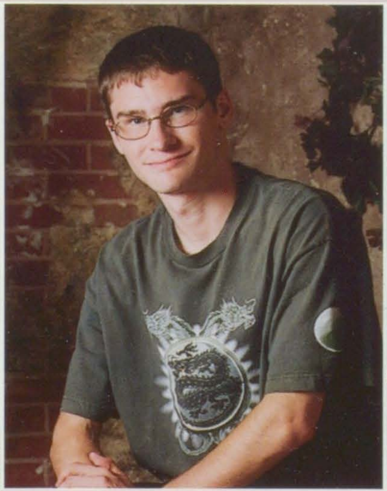
Matt Mercille - Hockey 1-4



Molly Marie Mernick - Stundent Council 1-4 (Exec. Pres. 4), *Hy News* 3,4 (sports Ed. 4), FCA 1-4 (V.P. 4), Mrs. Maroon Court 4, Prom Committee Tri-Chair 3, Junior Prom Court, Swimming 1-4



Rhonda Ann Merryfield - Concert Band 1,2, Jazz Band 3,4, Pep Band 1-4, Marching Band 1-3, Symphonic Band 2,3, Office Occupations 4



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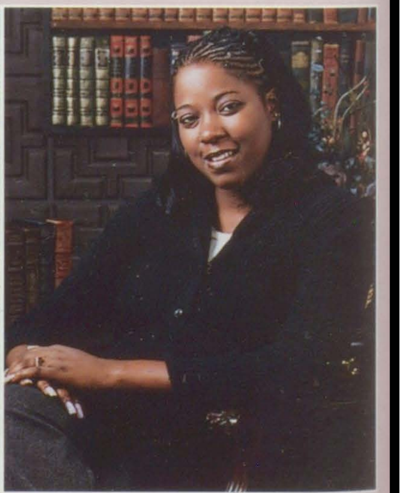

Kaheeda A. Miller - Illinois Career Association, JILG

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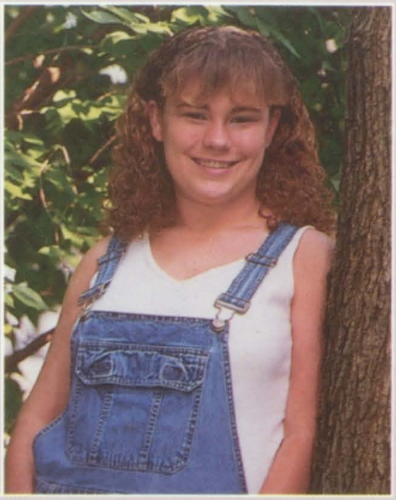
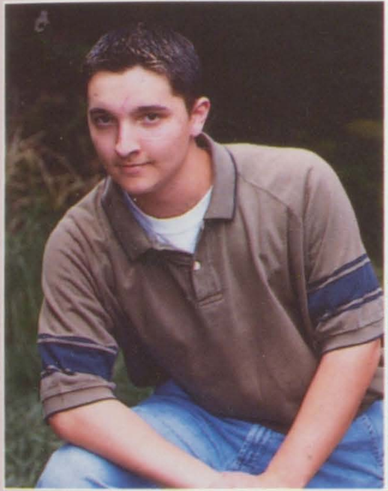
Nathan Charles David Miller - *Hy News* 1-4(Photo Ed. 4), Thespians 2-4 (V.P. 4), Little Theatre 1-4, Concert Choir 2-4, Bass Choir 2-4, Independent Philosophy Club 4, Book Club 4, NHS 3,4, Spanish Club



Amber Lynne Monroe - Volunteer West, Office Occupations



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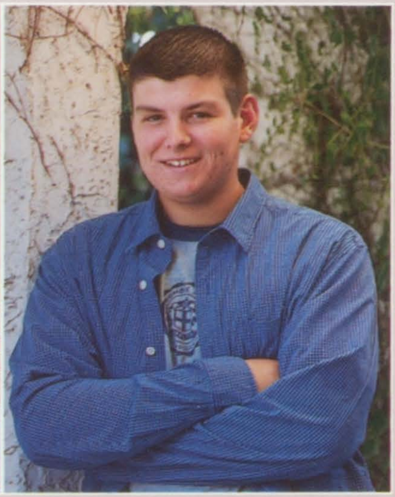
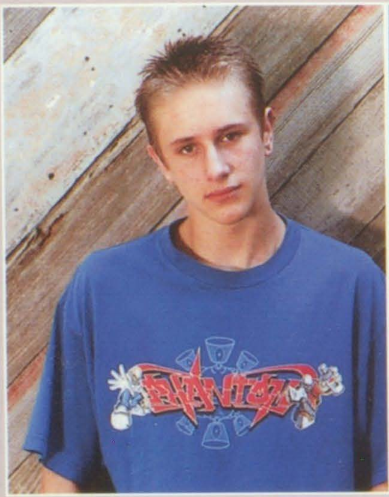


Chad Morgando- Baseball 1-4, Online West 3

TIPS:

- **Avoid "tuna" trees in the spring**
- **As much as you love the color pink, the real world does not like a colorful record.**
- **The circle drive is only half a circle, so don't feel the need to go around and around**
- **The yellow lines in the parking lot are not a suggestion— they are for real.**
- **Get on the lunch ladies' good side.**



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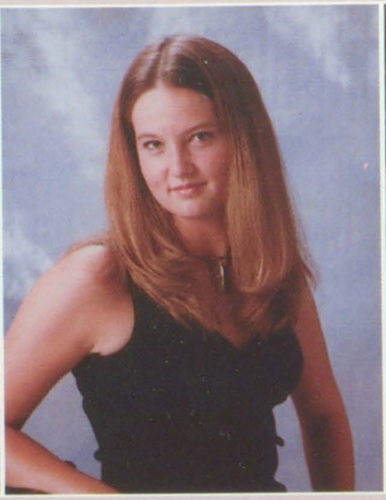
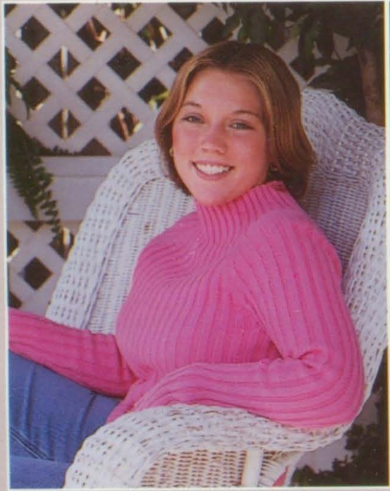


Jacqueline Marie Morrison - Volleyball 1-4(Co-Captain 4), Student Council 1-4(Rec. Sec. 4), *Bellevinois* 3,4(Art Ed. 4), Miss Maroon Court 4, NHS 3,4, Renaissance Committee 4, Prom Court

Jenny Mueth - Volleyball 1-4 (Co-Captain 4), Student Council 2-4 (Parlmentarian 4), Renaissance Committee 3,4, Prom Committee 3, NHS 3,4, Miss Maroon, Frames 2,3

Jessie Mueth - Office Occupations



Sara Joy Nicholson - Student Council 2-4(Exec. Corres. Sec. 4), NHS 3,4, Prom Committee Chair 3, History Club 1-4, Frames 1-4, Volunteer West 2-4, One Acts 2, Spanish Club 1,2, Youth Salute 3

Kimberly Gail Noble - Little Theatre 1-4(Hist. 4), Thespians 3,4, Symphonic Band 2-4, NHS 3,4, History Club 1,2, Spanish Club 1,2, Concert Choir 4, Concert Band 1, Treble Choir 2,3

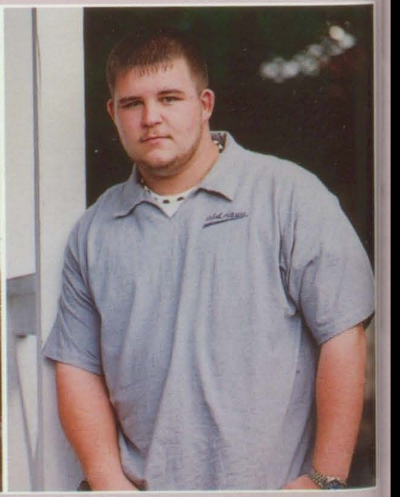
Danny O'Donnell - Marching Band 1-4 (Drum Major 3,4), History Club 1-4, Math Team 1-4, Pep Band 1-4, Senior Olympiad 1-4, Symphonic Band 2-4, French Club 2-4, Wrestling 2,4, NHS 4

Julie O'Donnell - Softball 1-4, Volleyball 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Stundent Council 3,4, NHS 3,4, Prom Committee 3

Lynlee J. Otten - Swim Team 4

Kaleena Palermo

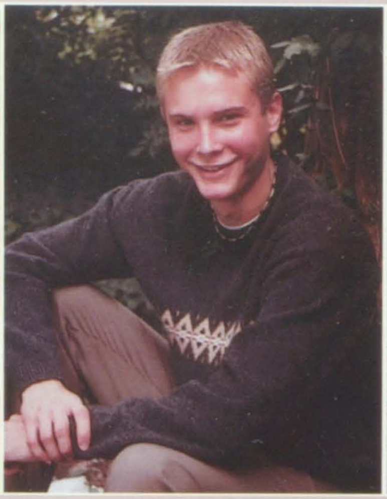
Crystal Pardieck - Basketball 1-4(Captain 4), Volleyball 1



Justin Parker

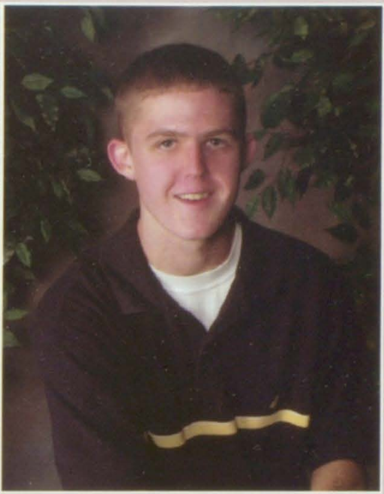
"Senior year...

Richard Parrent - Concert Choir 2-4, Bass Choir 2-4, Frosh Chorus 1, French Club 3,4, Online West 1



Sean Pellmann

Eric Scott Pfeiffer - Track 1,2



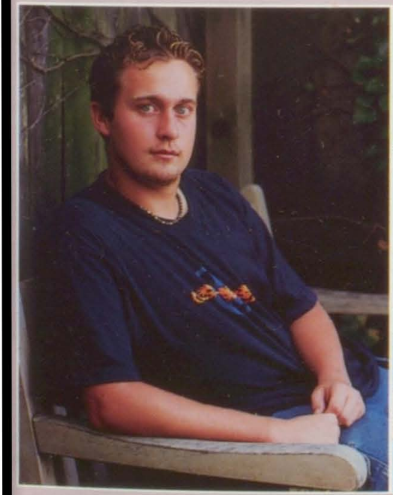
Scott Pickerel

Scott Poole - Basketball 1-4, Cross Country 1-3(Captain 3), NHS 3,4(Pres. 3), Track 1,2,4, Jazz Band 3, Concert Band 1,2, One Acts 1, Little Theatre 1, Fall Play 1

Robert Adam Prescott - FCA 2-4(V.P. 3, Pres. 4), Youth Alive 2-4(Leader 4), Little Theatre 2-4, Math Team 3,4, NHS 3,4, Football 1-3, Contest Play 3,4, Children's Play 2-4, Thespians 4

Belinda Quirin

Ian Randall - Model U.N. 1-4(Sec. 2, V.P. 3, Pres. 4), Little Theatre 1-4(Pres. 4), Concert Choir 2-4, Maroon Majic 4, Bass Choir 2-4, Thespians 2-4, Student Council Class Sec. 2,3, *Page One* 3,4



Michael Rausch - Football 1-4, Bowling Team 2-4

Elizabeth Renaud

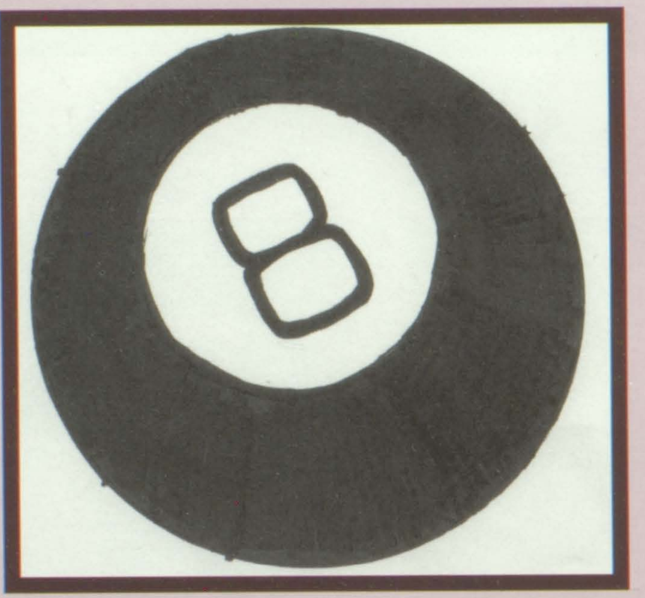
Jessica Marie Reuter - Symphonic Band 1-4(Princ. Horn 4), Spring Musical 2-4, NHS 3,4, Concert Choir 3, Spanish Club Hist. 4, Pep Band 1-4, Marching Band 3, Soccer 1, Book Club 4, Youth Alive 1,2

Michelle Reynolds

***... goes by too fast!"* • Jackie Morrison, '02**

Planning Futures:

What to Bring, What to Leave at Home



Why would someone spend seven or eight dollars on a Magic Eight Ball that just sits on the dresser? Occasionally, the owner asks the all powerfull ball questions like, "Will Mike ask me to the dance?" In return, the ball gives an automated response - something like "outlook good" or "all signs point to yes." People do, however, want to know their future so badly that they will spend fortunes on Magic Eight Balls or the Psychic Hotline. But students plan their futures every day in the little decisions they make without the help of Cleo.

"[In twenty years, I will] hopefully not be living in the suberbs, hopefully not working in a cubical, hopefully not working from eight to four, hopefully not being someone I'm not, and hopefully not hating my life," said senior Brian Wild.

Many students share similar plans for the future. They typically want a steady job that they enjoy doing and that, of course, brings in the cash. To be or not to be - married - that is the question. "I don't want to be married, yet," said sophomore Lindsay Eghigian. She's just looking for "a serious relationship."

Ambitions of flocking to exciting places like Chicago and Florida soar through the minds of some students, while others, like junior Jill Wolfmierer, prefer to stick close to home. "I like my small town surrounded by corn," Wolfmierer remarked. Junior Lindsay Segmeyer will seek refuge in vacationing in Europe or China, any place she's "never been before."

So, what should go on the future "packing list?" Bring along the experiences, feelings, and goals from high school days, but leave the Magic Eight Ball at home.• *Elena Rodriquez*

Miesha Ricks

Tammi Ridenour

Elizabeth Ann Riley - Volleyball 1,2, Latin Dance Team 2, One Acts 1, DECA 4, Frosh Chorus 1

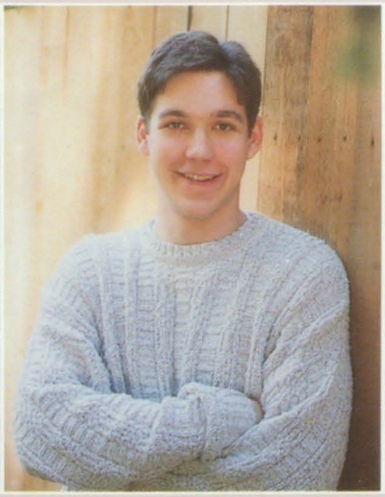
Chris Rios - Latin Dance Team 1-4(V.P. 3, Co-Pres. 4), Spanish Club 1-4, *Page One* 3,4, Prom Committee 3, *Hy News* 3

Brian Ripperda

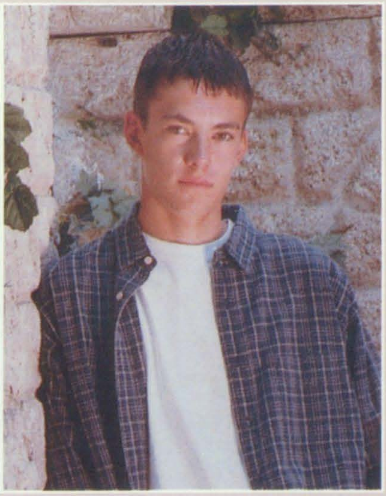
Teresa Rivera

***Rachael Ann Roberts* -** Golf 1-4, NHS 3,4, Prom Committee 3, *Hy News* 2, Frames 1-4, Frosh Chorus 1

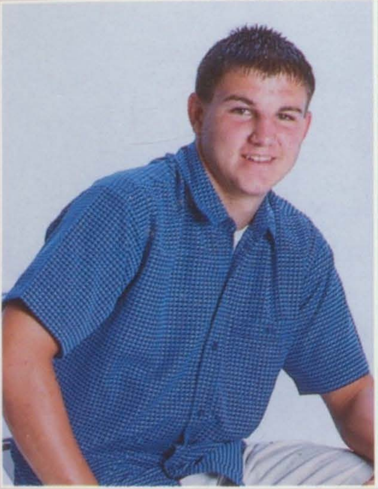
***Crystal Lynn Robertson* -** Office Occupations 4, Frosh Chorus 1



***Paxton Rogers* -** Jazz Band 2-4, Maroon Majic 2-4, Model U.N. 1-4(Sec. 4), NHS 4, *Hy News* 1-3, *Page One* 1,3,4(Poetry Ed. 3,4), Little Theatre 1,2,4, Book Club 4, Pep Band 2-4, Orchestra 1

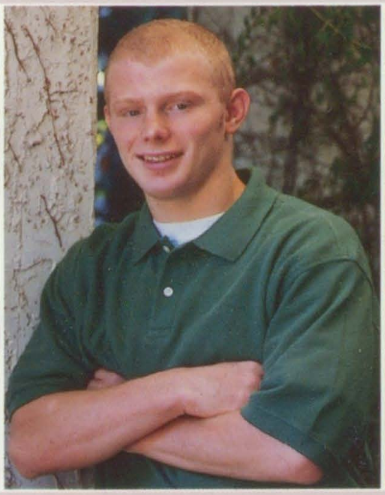


***Eric Rohr* -** Baseball 1-4, Golf 1-4, NHS 3,4, French Club 3,4, Frames 1,2



Adam Romero

***Lauren Nicole Roney* -** Student Council Class Pres. 2-4, NHS 3,4, Softball 1-4, Basketball 1-3, Volunteer West 1-4, Little Theatre 1-4, One Acts 1,2, Cross Country 4, Prom Committee 3, Frames 1



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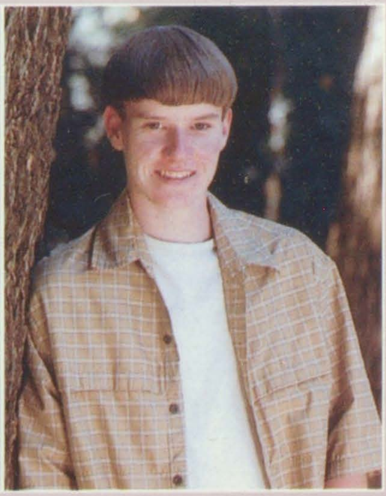
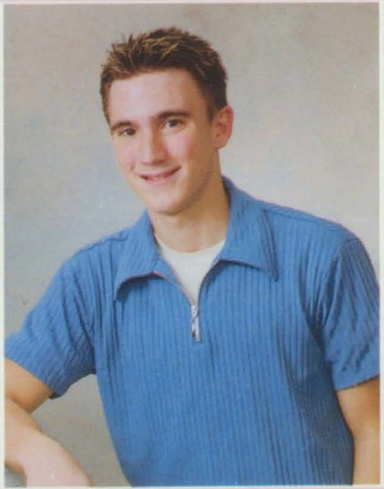
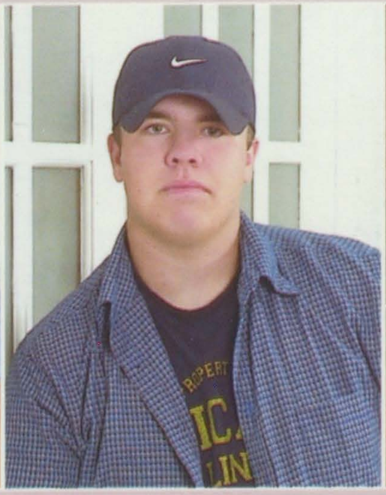


***Daniel C. Rybicki* -** Math Team Captain 4, French Club 1-4, NHS 3,4, Prom Committee 3, Mr. Maroon Committee 3, Frames 1-4

***Johnie Rybicki* -** Wrestling 3,4, Football 3,4



Craig Sanford



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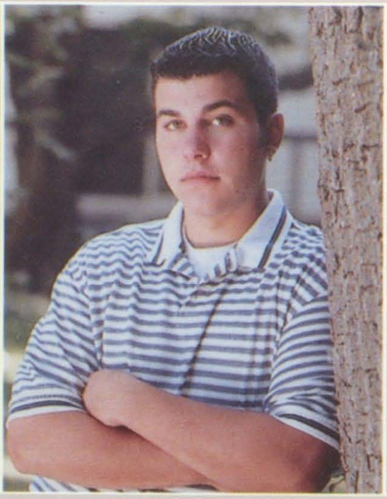

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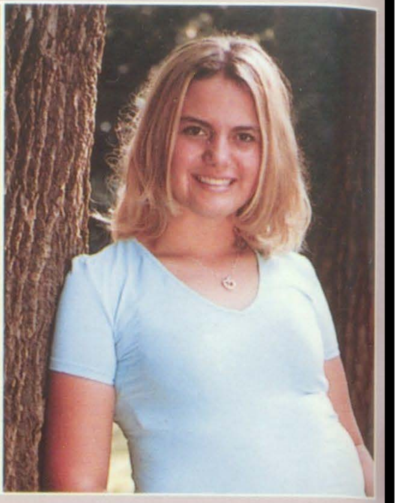

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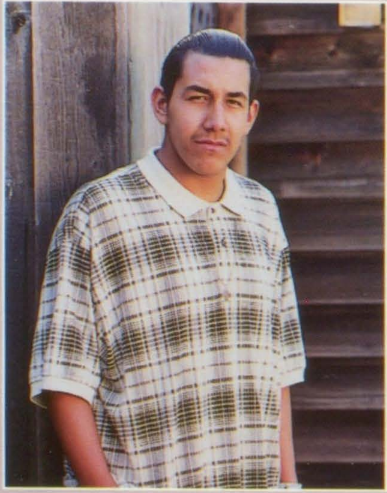

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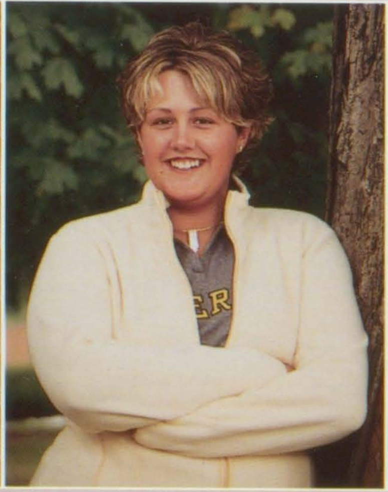

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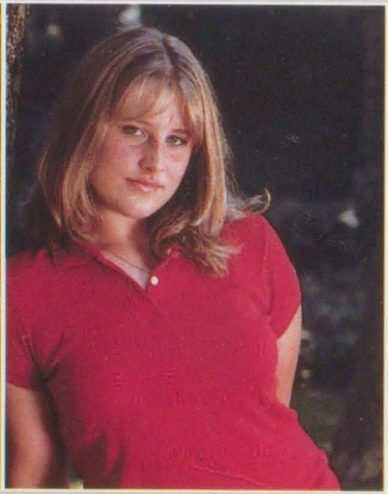

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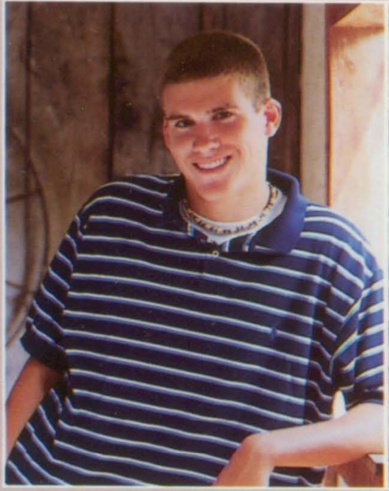

Stephen W. Sedlak - Frames 1-3, Baseball 4, Volunteer West 1

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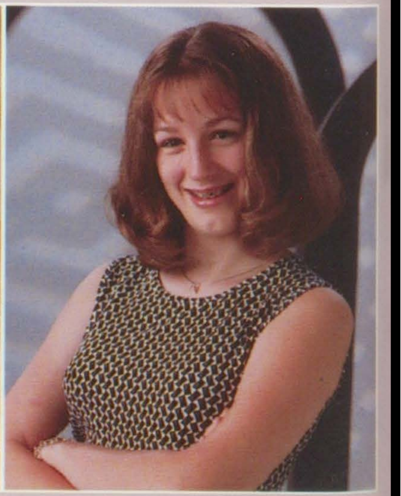
Leigh Kathryn Shelton - *Hy News* 2-4(Ed.-in-Chief 4), Little Theatre 2,3, One Acts 2, French Club 1-4(Sec. 3), Mr. Maroon Tri-Chair 3, Student Council 2, Softball 1, Frosh Chorus 1



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Jaclyn Maureen Shofner - Symphonic Band 2-4, Concert Band 1, FCA 1, Marching Band 2, One Acts 2, Spanish Club 1, Volleyball 1, Frosh Chorus 1, Treble Choir 2

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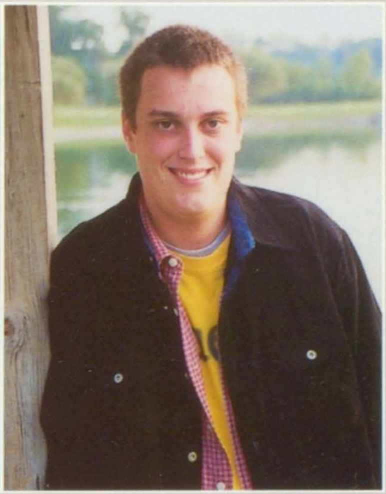

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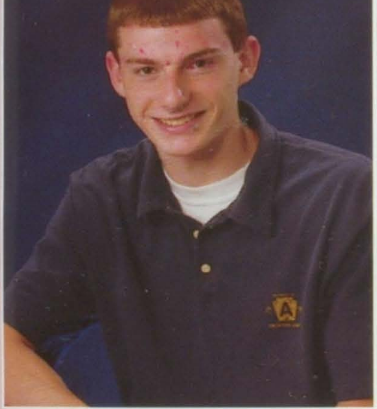

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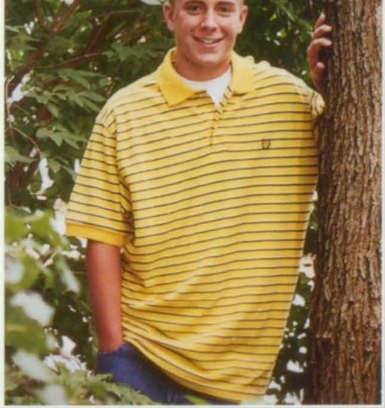

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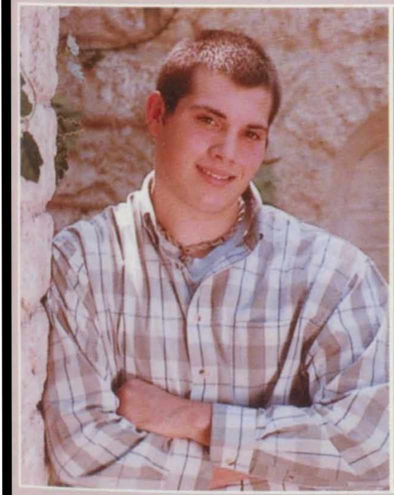

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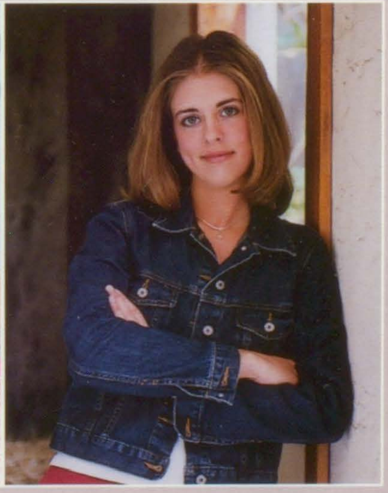
Amanda Lynn Stonesifer - Bowling Team 1-4, Bellevillettes 2,3, Frames 1-3, History Club 3,4, Frosh Chorus 1, Treble Choir 2,3, Mighty Maroon Award 3, Perfect Attendance 1-4



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... *Belleville!"* • Jessie Reuter, '02

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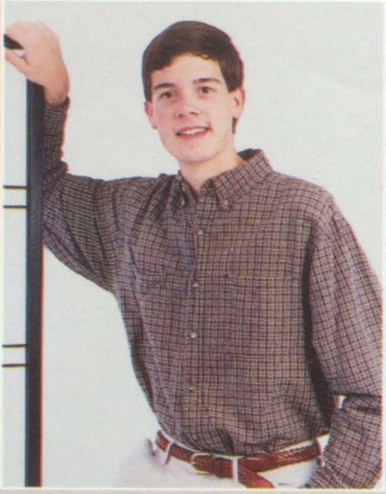

Shawn Stumph - Model U.N. 2-4, Science Olympiad 3,4, History Club 1,2, NHS 4, Spring Musical 3, Fall Play 2, Debate 4, Bellevinois 3, Math Team 4, Speech Team 4

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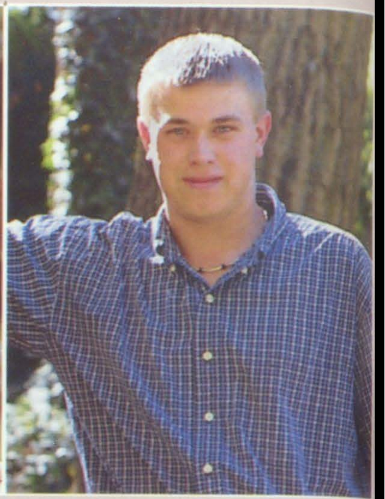

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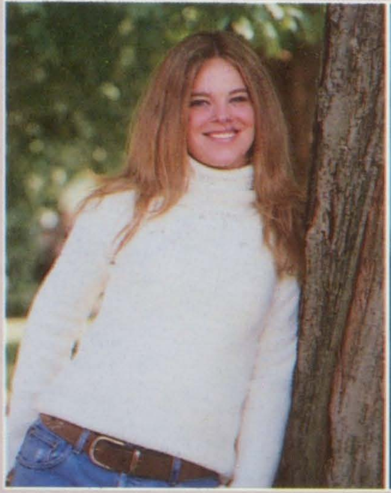

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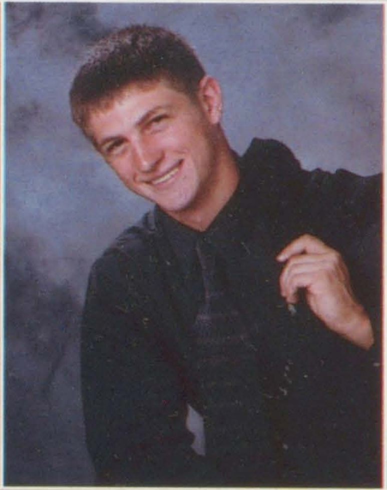

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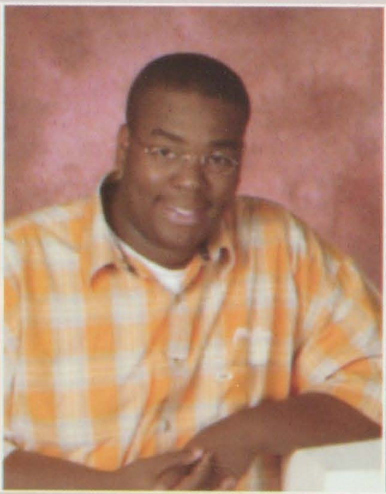

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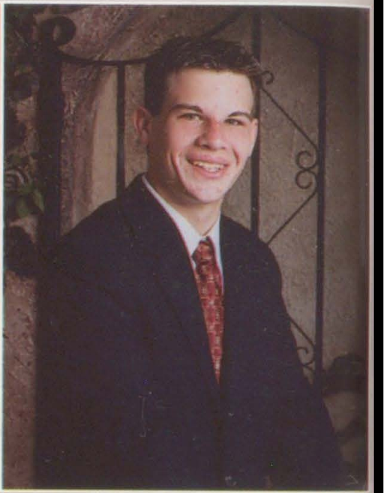

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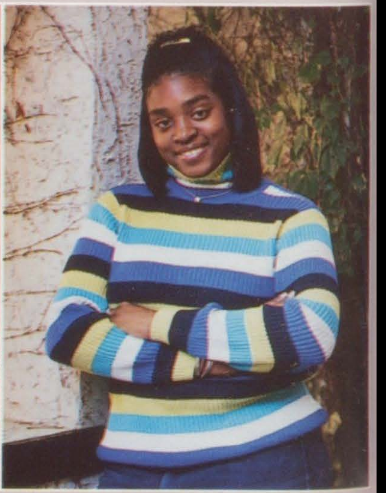
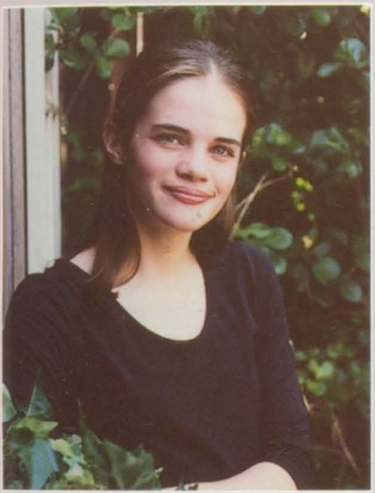
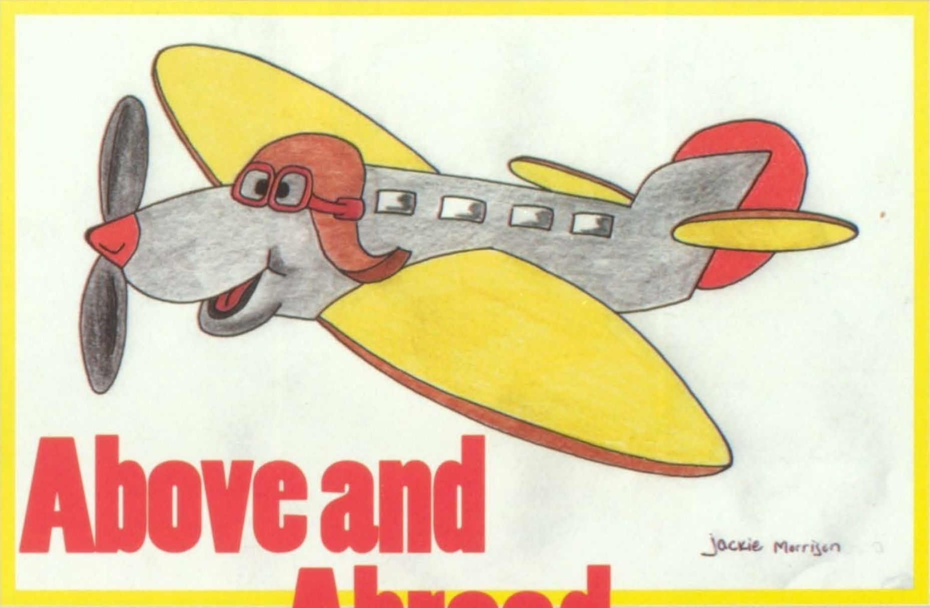


Stacey Y. Thompson - Track 3,4, Basketball 2-4, Prom Committee 3, Equestrian Club 3,4, Sewing Club 2-4, Shield Captain 1, Math Team 2, Eco-Watch 2,3, Little Theatre 2, One Acts 2

Stephanie Thompson



Courtney Tiemann - Dance Team 1-4(Co-Captain 3,4), Student Council 2-4(Exec. Treas. 3, Exec. V.P. 4), NHS 3,4, *Bellevinois* 2-4, Renaissance Committee 2-4, Prom Tri-Chair 3, Prom Court 3, Miss Maroon Court



Above and Abroad

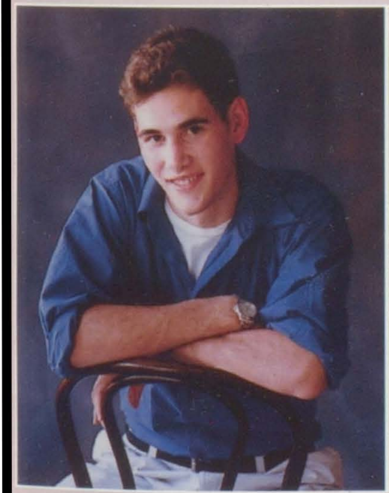
Each year, the seniors gather together and plan *the trip* - the trip that will probably be their first and last trip together as THE SENIORS. Some years, however, are different. Seniors started planning in the fall for a standard excursion to Cancún. Seniors Todd Davis and Hillary Bennett organized preparations but soon found that a majority of the class had decided to travel abroad instead.

"Most of my friends decided to go on the school trip to Europe instead of Cancún," commented senior Sarah Jones. Although many others will have trouble paying for the trip abroad, Jones plans on saving her money for her New York trip with Model U.N. Notable, the costs of flying and staying in Europe will add up to considerably more than the fare to nearby Mexico.

West sponsors more than one foreign travel option. Every other year, Mr. and Mrs. Chmeleck take a group of French students to France or Canada. The current group contains a mixture of seniors, juniors, and sophomores, with juniors holding the majority. They will spend twelve exciting days in the country that they have studied for as much as four years. "I can't wait to get to try out my French accent on the French people," said senior Rick Parrent, a fourth year French student.

Whether in a country speaking just one language or several countries speaking all different languages, students (especially the seniors) will have amazing cultural opportunities. So, anchors away! ... or planes ...

- *Jennifer Schmidt*



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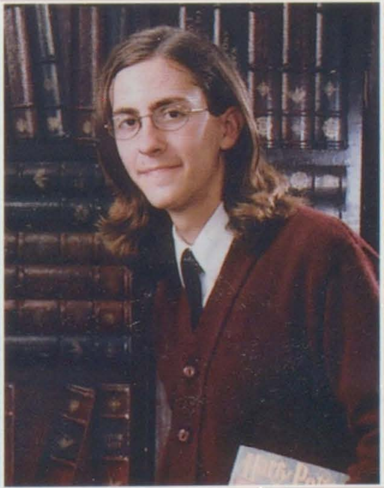

Paul Anthony Toenjes - Jazz Band 1-4, *Hy News* 2-4(Ed. Ed. 4), Concert Band 1, Symphonic Band 2-4, *Page One* 3,4(Prose Ed. 4), Marching Band 1,2, Fall Play 1-4, Contest Play 1,2,4, Spring Musical 1-4, NHS 3,4

Erica Touchette

Nikia Ursin

Kara Lindsay Valentin - Spanish Club 1,3,4, Mr. Maroon Committee Co-Chair 3, Prom Committee Co-Chair 3, Frames 1,2,3, Volunteer West 1,2, History Club 1,2, Dance Team 1,2

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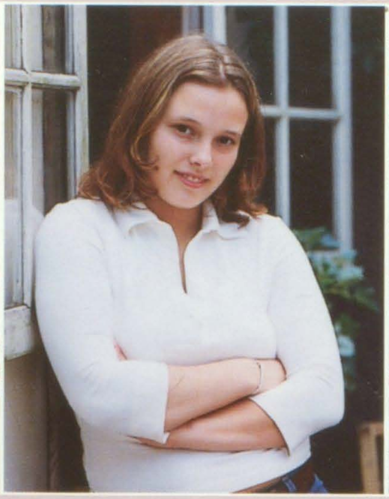

Nicole Lynn VanPelt - Cheerleading 1,2, French Club 1-3, History Club 1,2, Illinois Career Association Treas. 4, Little Theatre 1-3, Model U.N. 2,3, Orchestra 3,4, Prom Committee 3, Sewing Club 3

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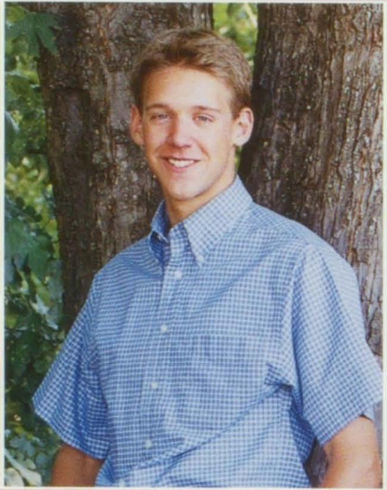
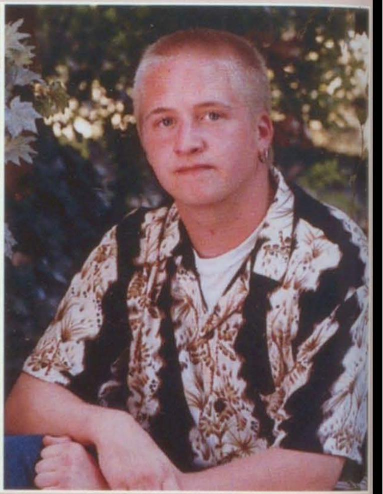


Daniel Ray Veile - Marching Band 1-4, Jazz Band 1-4, Symphonic Band 1-4, Pep Band 1-4, Youth Alive 1-4, Bass Choir 3, Maroon Majic 4, Orchestra 1, Little Theatre 1,2

Emily Vogel - Cheerleading 1-4, Who's Who Among American High School Students 3, Volunteer West 1,2,4, Renaissance Committee 3,4, *Bellevinois* 3,4, Prom Committee 3, Frames 1-4



James Wafer - Little Theatre 1,2

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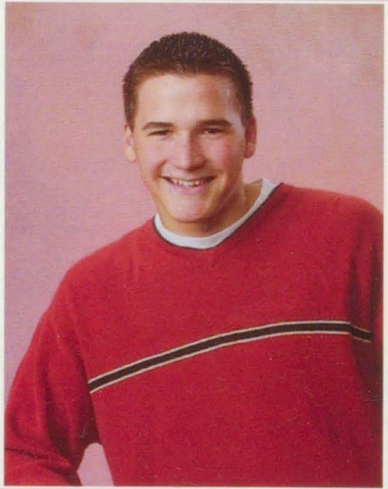


Ben Warren

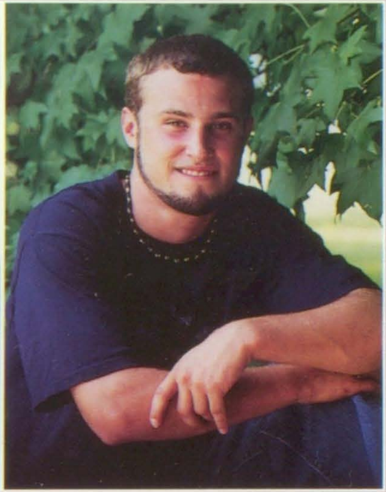
Leia Marie Way - DECA

"Ecco homo! ...

Brandon B. Webster - Golf 2-4, Renaissance 3,4, Frames 4

Juliann Webster

Julie M. Wegener - Concert Choir 3,4, Spanish Club 3,4(Sec. 4), NHS 3,4, Book Club 2-4, Bellevillettes 2, Model U.N. 2,3, History Club 3,4, Lifesavers 1,2, Latin Dance Team 4



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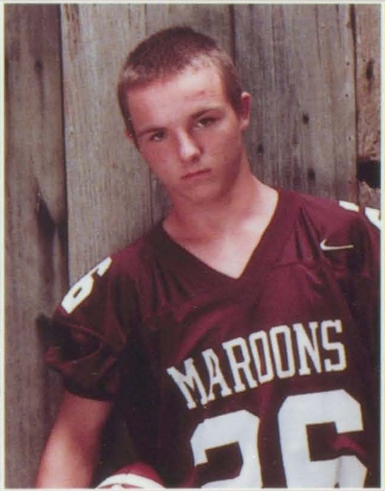
Erica Rae Weible - Golf 1-4(Captain 3,4), Cheerleading 1,2, Concert Choir 2-4, Little Theatre 1,2, FCA 1,2, Bellevillettes 3, Spring Musical 1, Fall Play 1, Children's Play 3



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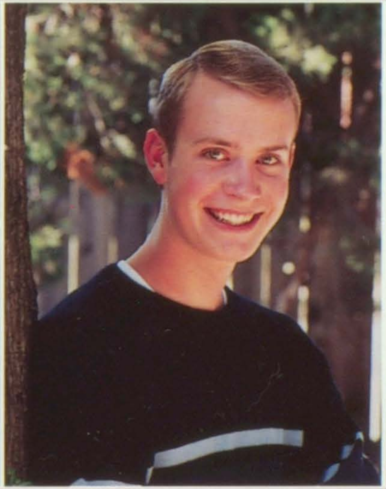

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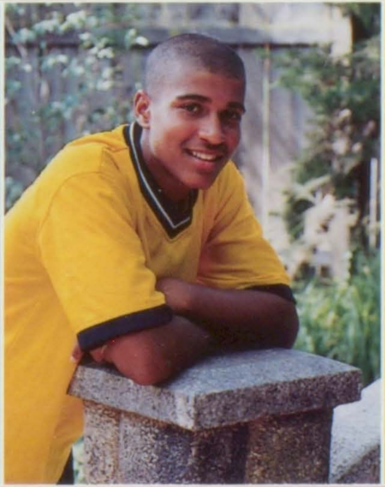

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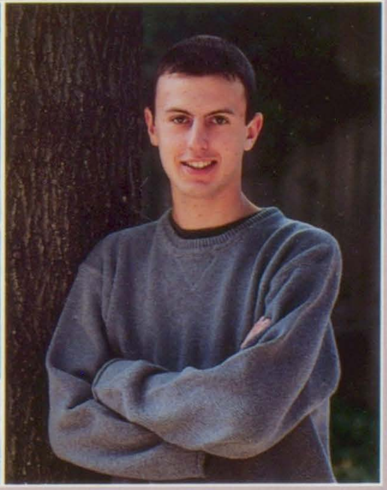
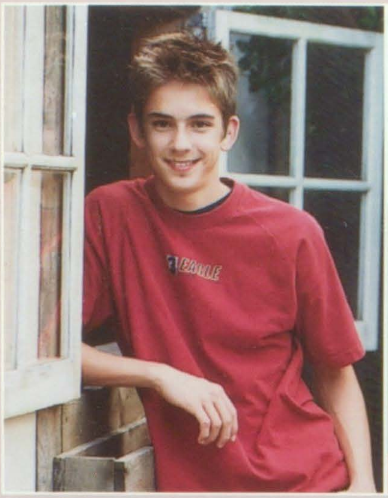


Michael Whittaker - Office Occupations 4, Concert Band 2,3

... (Behold the man!)" • **Ian Randall, '02**



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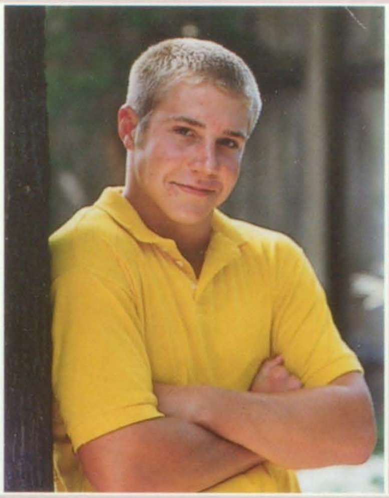
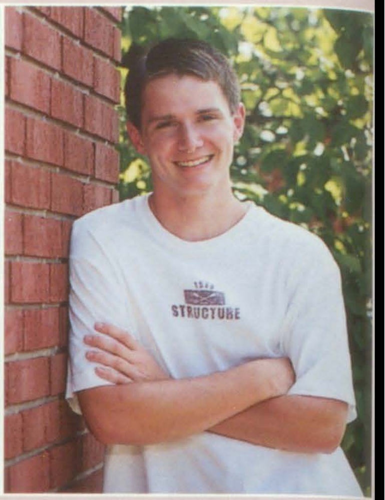


Brian Kenneth Wild - Philosophy Club 4, Concert Choir 2-4, Fall Play 3,4, Spring Musical 2-4, Model U.N. 2-4, Book Club 2,4, History Club 1,2, French Club 3,4, Prom Committee Chair 3, *Hy News* 2



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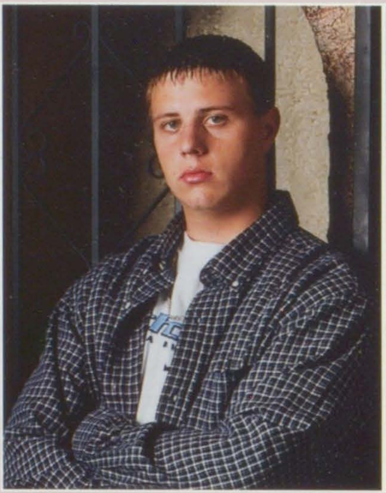

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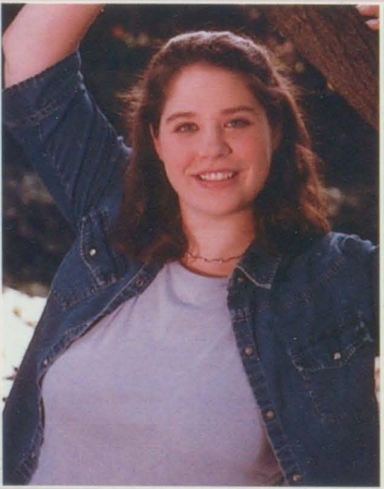
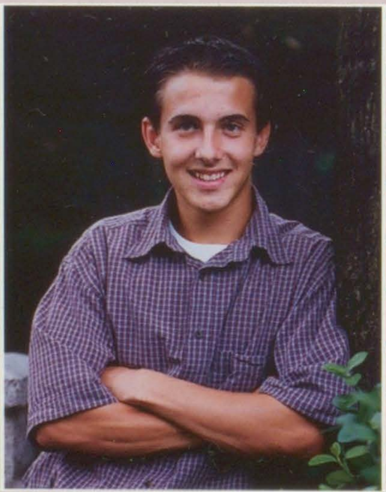
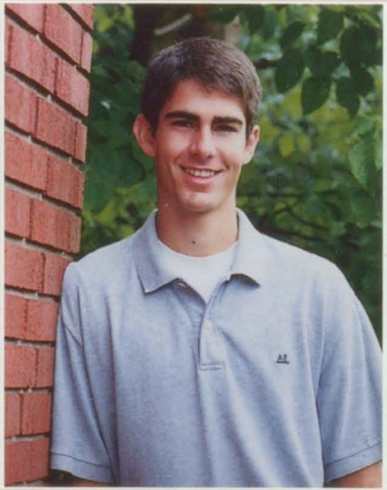


Pamela Wright - Little Theatre 1-4, Thespians 3,4 (Sec. 4), Children's Play 1-4, Concert Choir 3,4, Contest Play 3,4, Fall Play 1-4, Lifesavers 1-3, Marching Band 1-3, Maroon Majic 4, Spring Musical 1-4, NHS 3,4



Travis Yates - Cross Country 1-4 (Captain 3,4), Marching Band 2-4 (Section Leader 3,4), Maroon Majic 4, NHS 3,4, Pep Band 1-4, Track 1,2, Stundent Council Class Tres. 1, Senior Olympiad 3, Youth Alive 2,3



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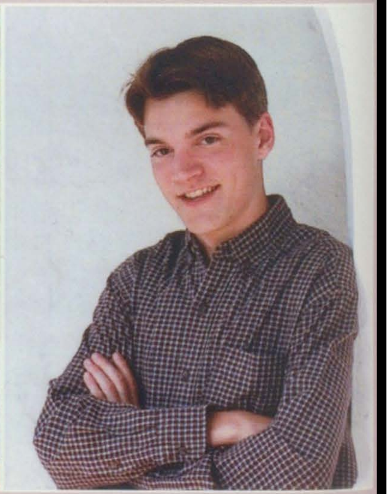

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A mix of seniors ...

... No matter what you do, you still look good." • **Kyle Kratky, '02**

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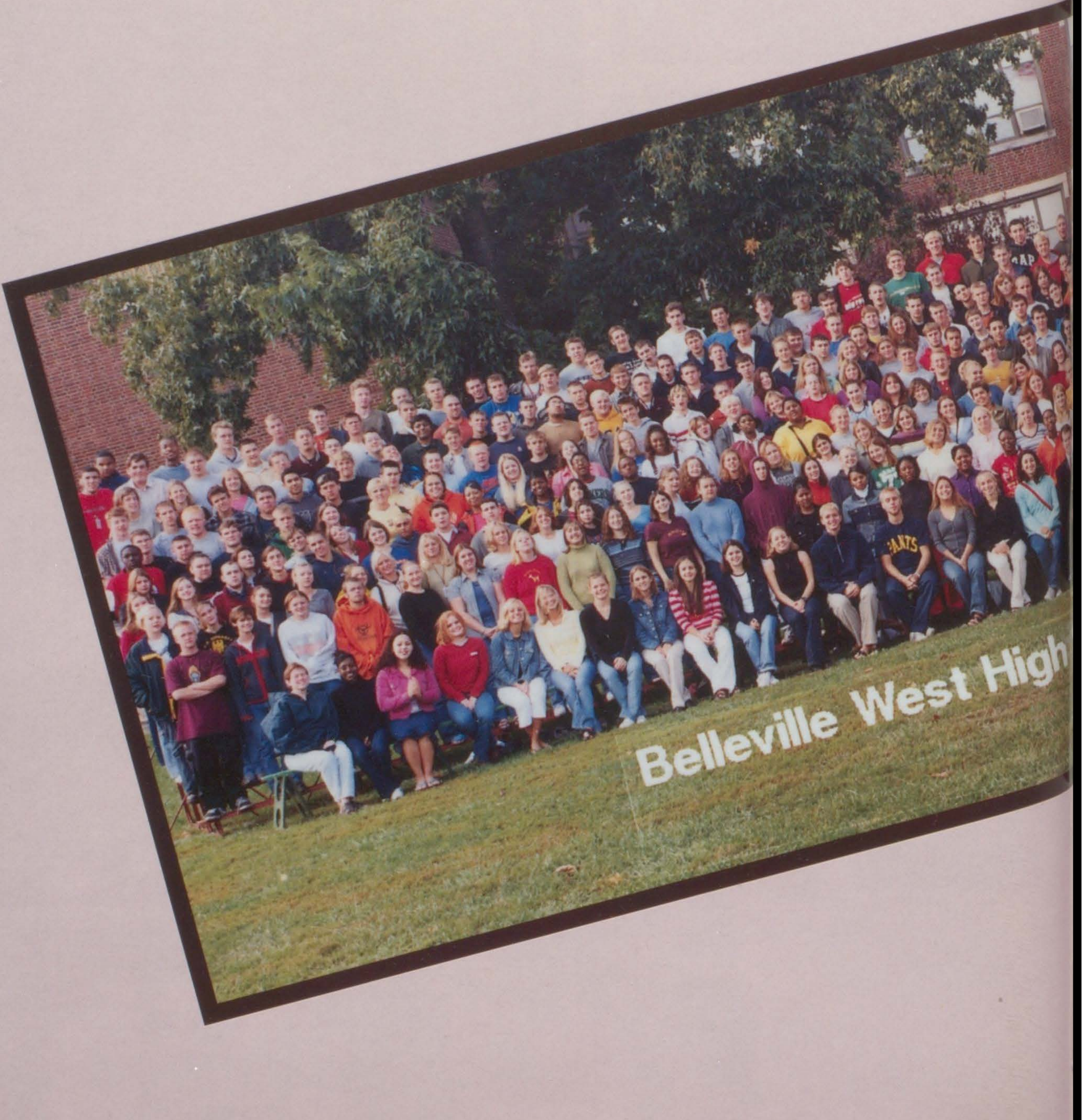

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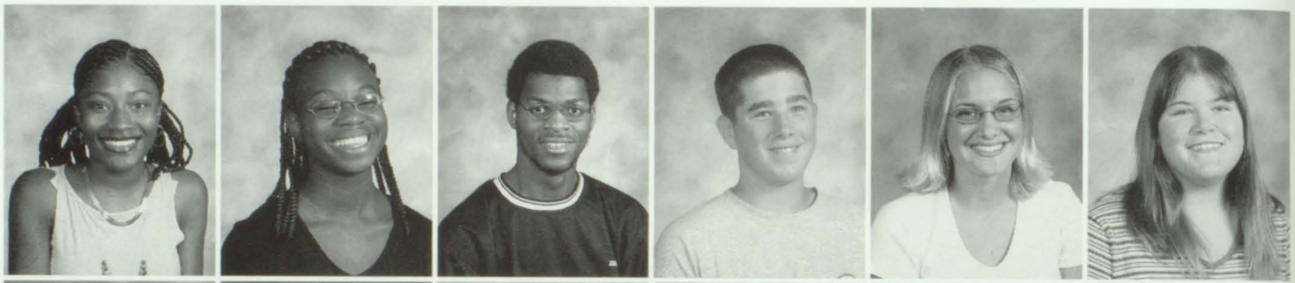

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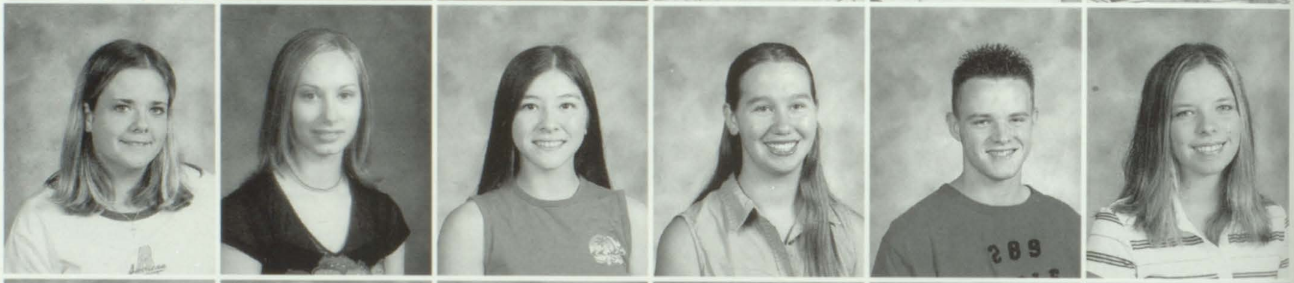

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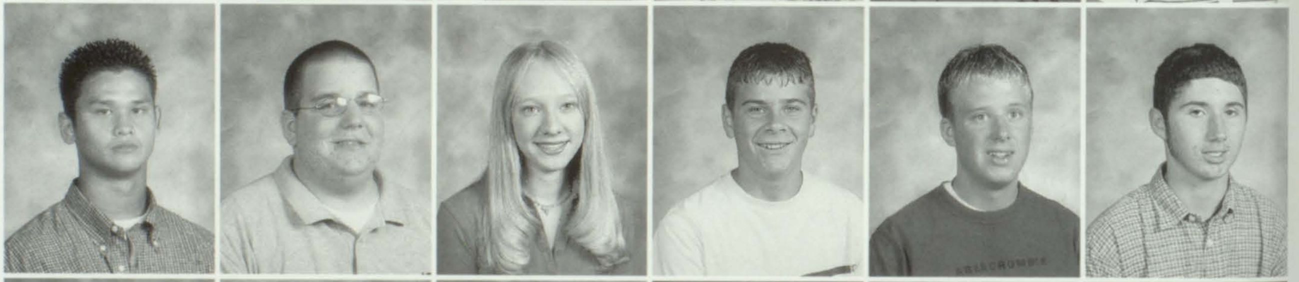

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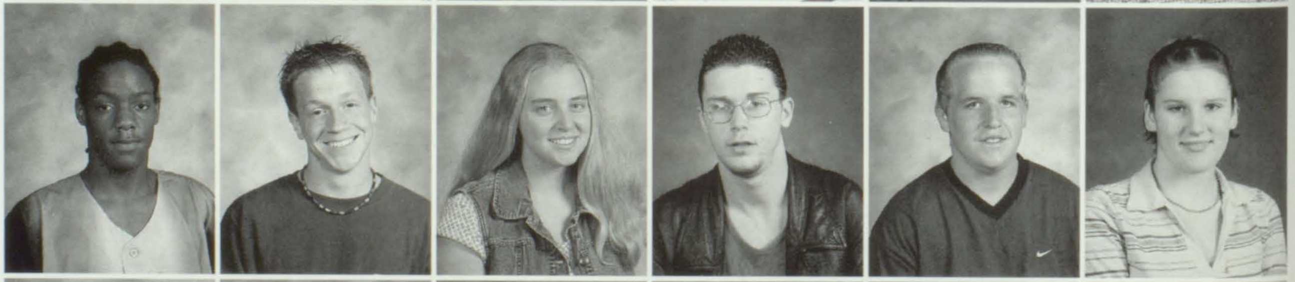

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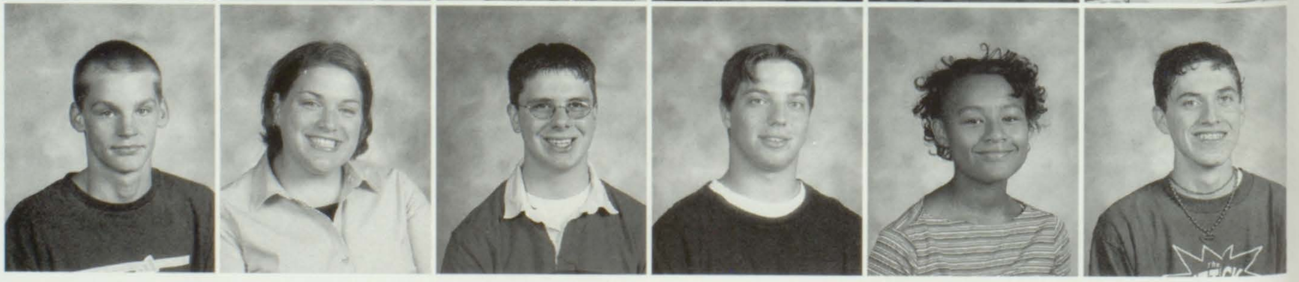

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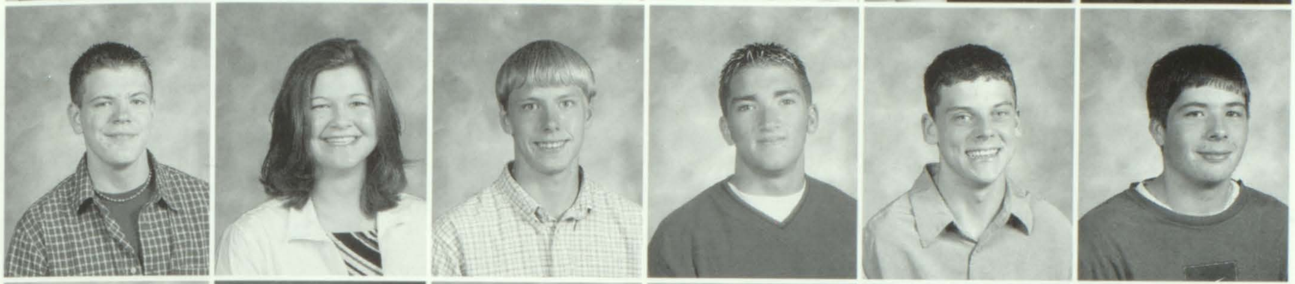

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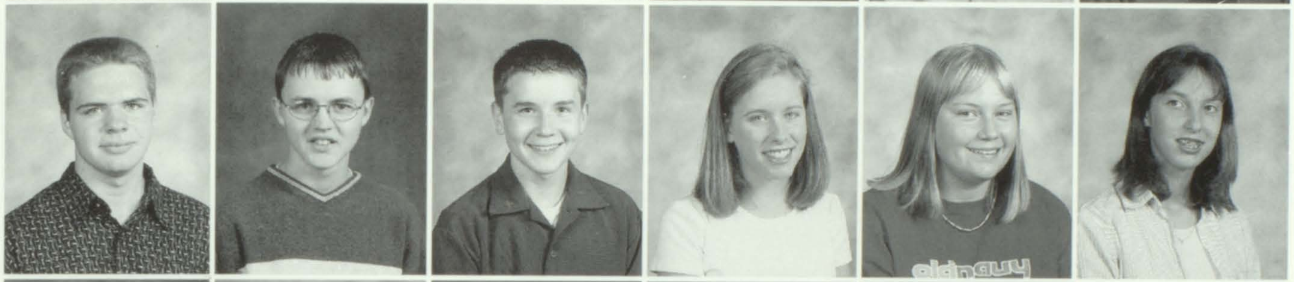

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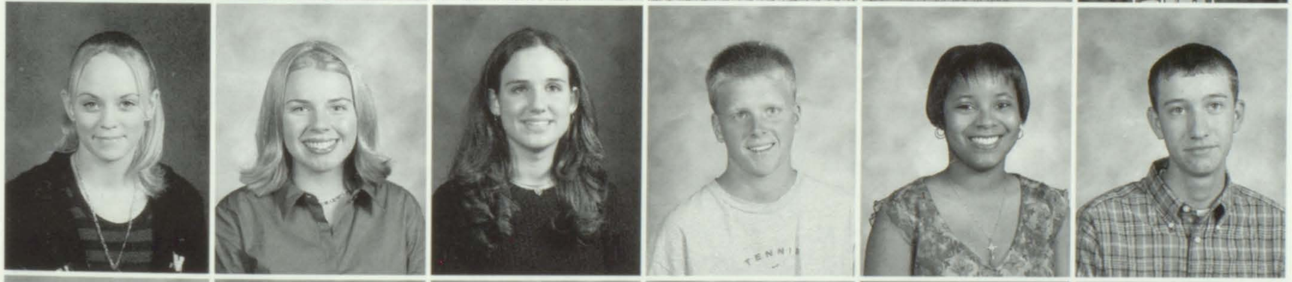

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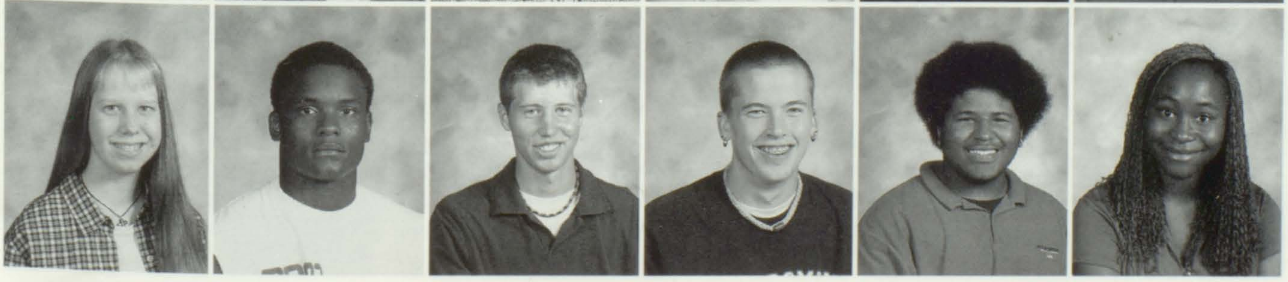

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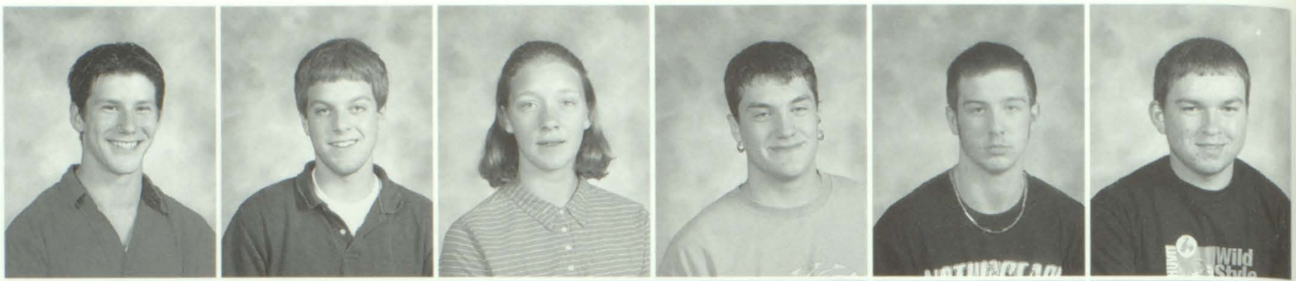

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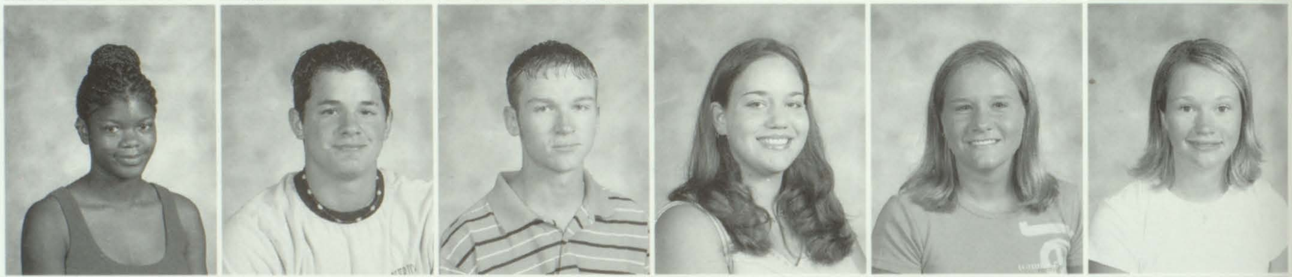

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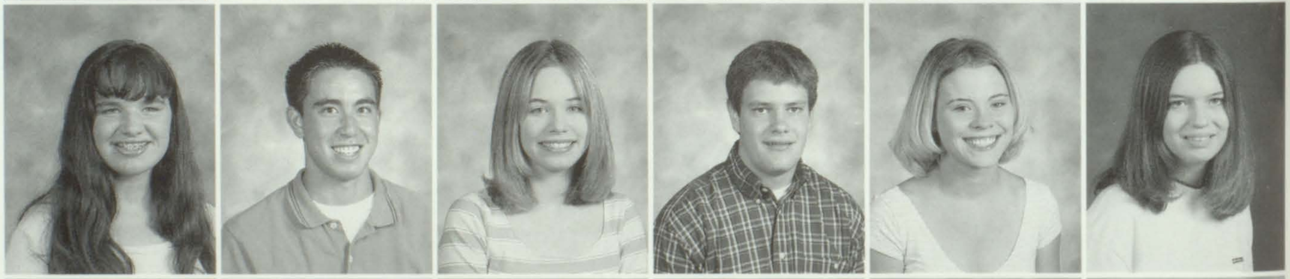

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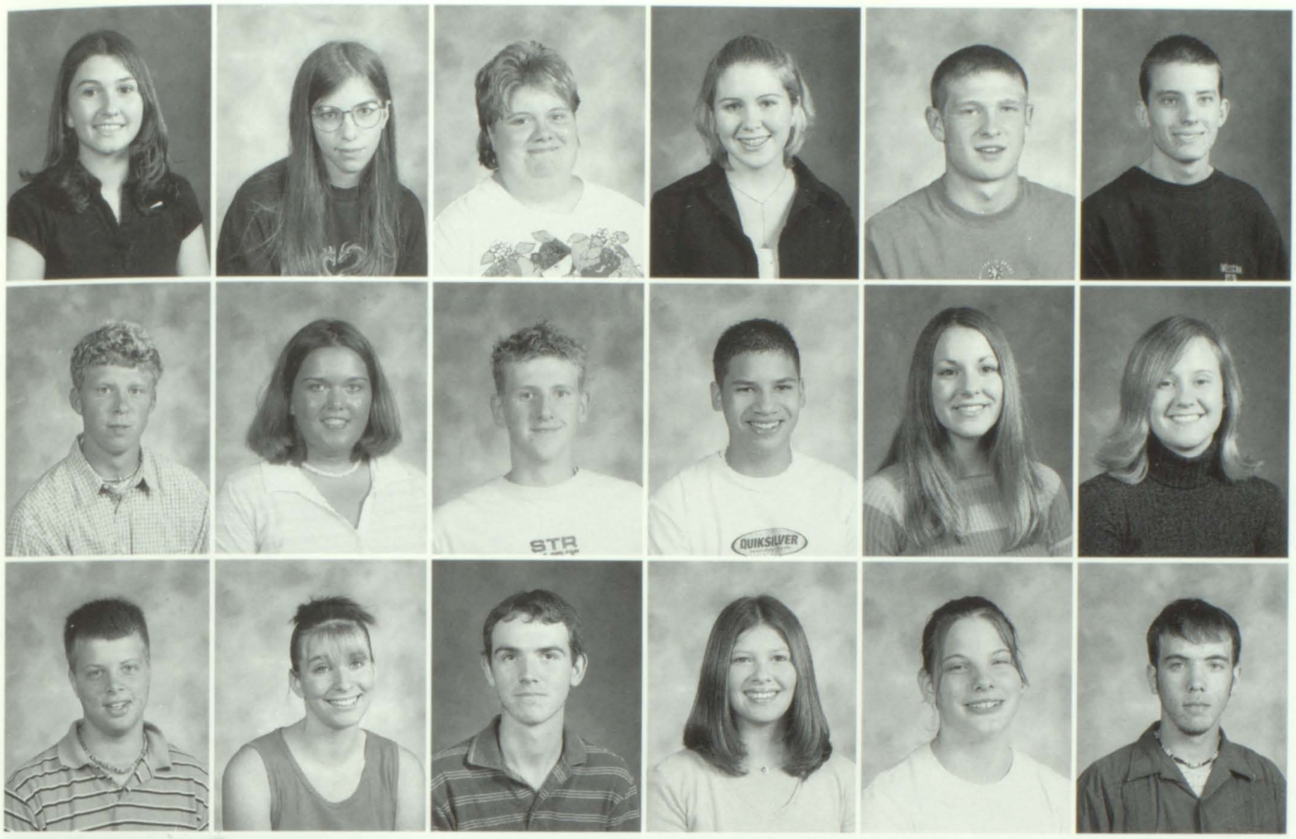

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Students roam the globe to learn and to give

Many people take vacations out of the country, but some Belleville West students have traveled to some interesting places for unique reasons.

Brianna Kassebaum ('03) went to Paraguay in South America over the summer. For two weeks, with thirty other people, she did mission work for a local church. The group worked on making the foundation stronger, building a sidewalk by the church and putting in a forty-foot drainage pipe for the church.

Kassebaum said that one of her favorite parts of the trip were all of the kids of the area. "Just a smile or a high five could show a level of connection, even though we didn't speak the same language," she commented.

In Paraguay people use some of the same products Americans use, such as Coca-Cola and Sprite. Many things, however, a clearly different. One of these differences was found in an eight-year old boy who lived near the church. Every day he had to go to work to make money for his family.

Kassebaum plans to do more mission work next summer in Guatemala. "I'd go back in a heartbeat," she said. "I love doing mission work. It's so fulfilling."

A plethora of people ponder what it is actually like to live in another country. Amanda Parsons-Twesten ('03) and Philip Cornett ('03) were able to experience that firsthand this past summer. Both participated in a foreign exchange program where they stayed with a family in Germany for four weeks and a German student stayed with each of them in America also.

Parsons-Twesten gained interest in the exchange program through her German pen pal from junior high. While in Germany, she could relate to the other teenagers of the area. "They were just like us; they want to have fun just like we do," she commented.

Even though both countries have many similarities, there were some little differences. "Everything was smaller, like the roads and houses," Parsons-Twesten said.

Cornett noticed that the houses were very high-tech. He also could not help but notice that the legal drinking age in Germany is sixteen. "I got to see that there is a totally different world out there," Cornett said.

Both said they would definitely return to Germany, but Cornett adds, "It really helps to know the language before you venture into a foreign country. • *Paige Brubeck*

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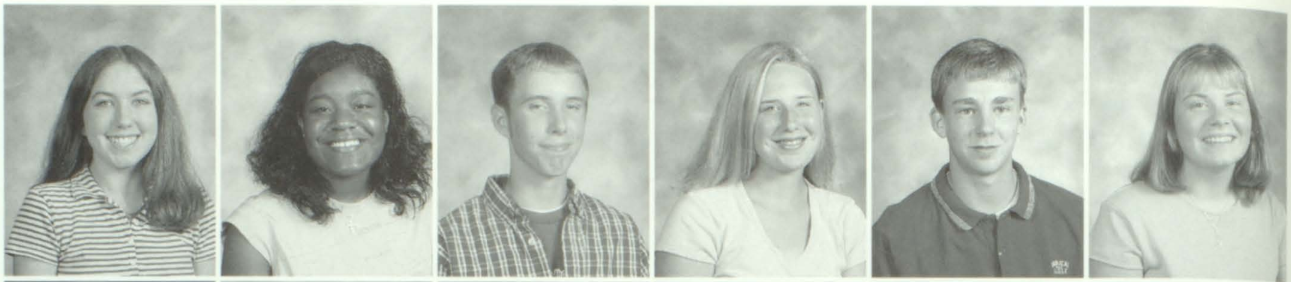

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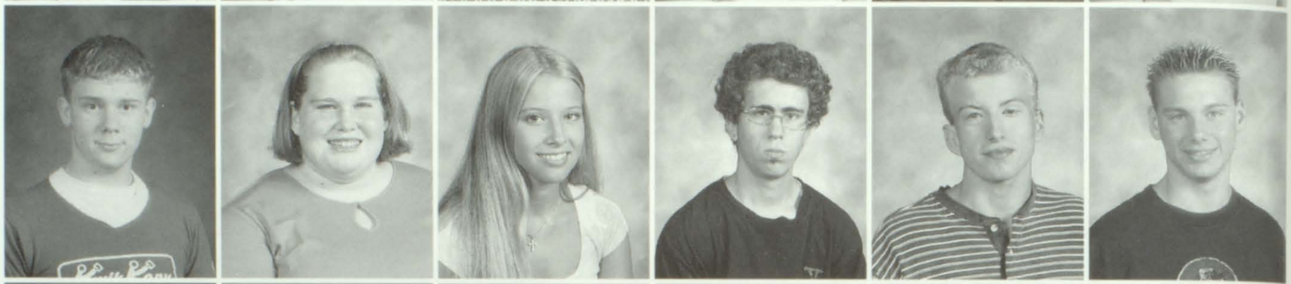

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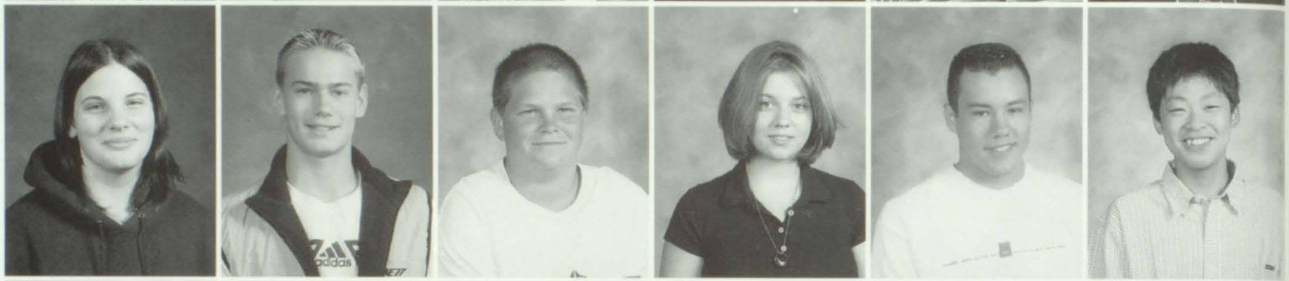

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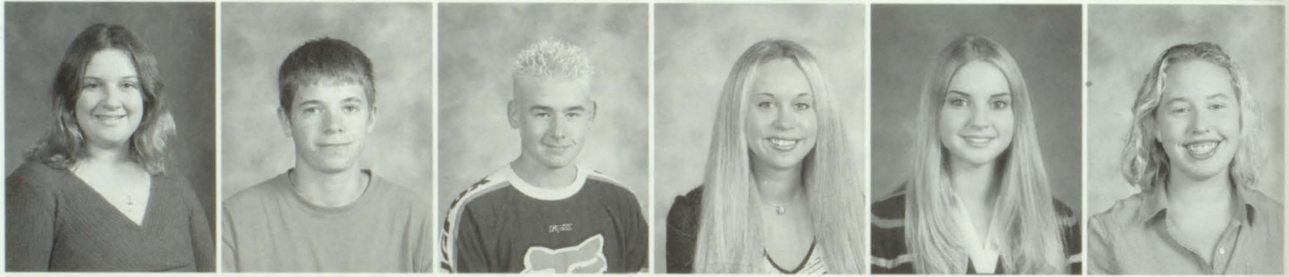

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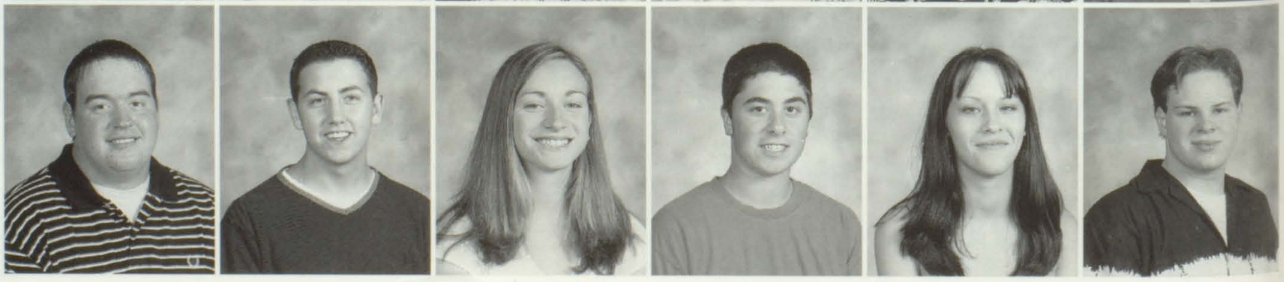

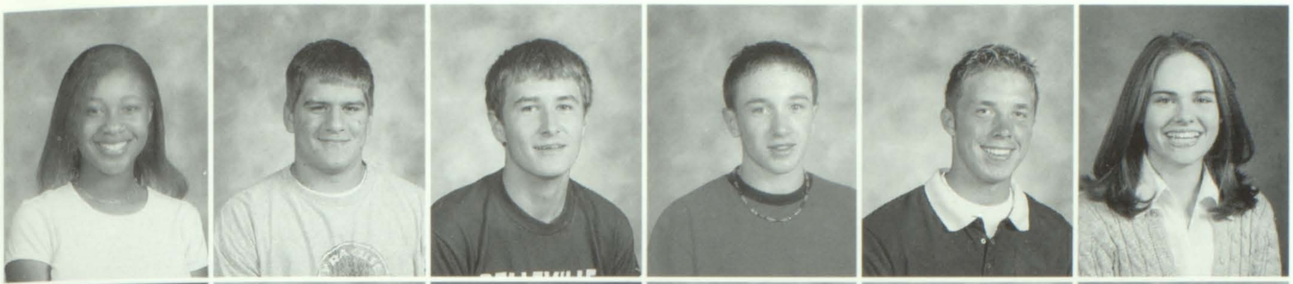

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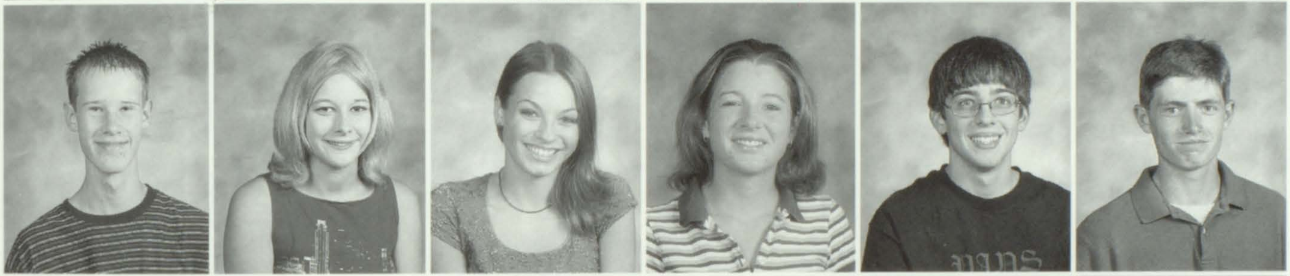

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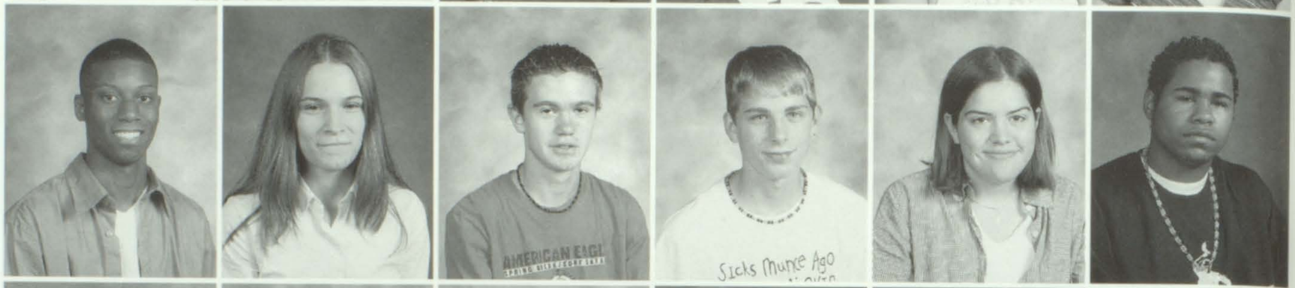

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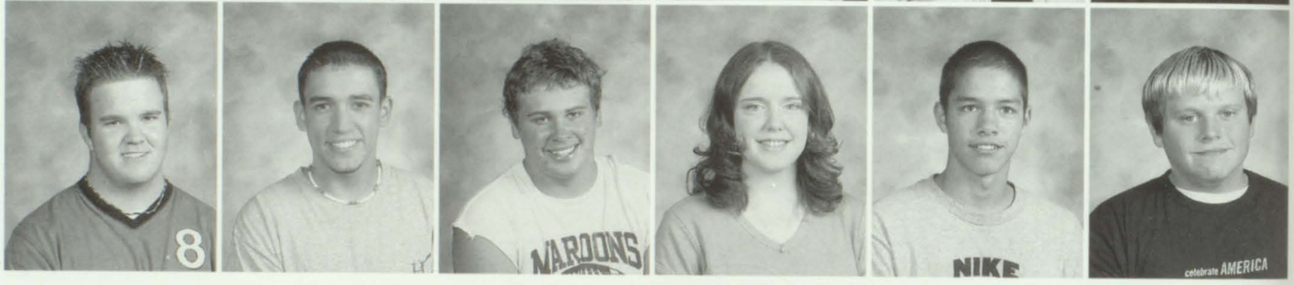
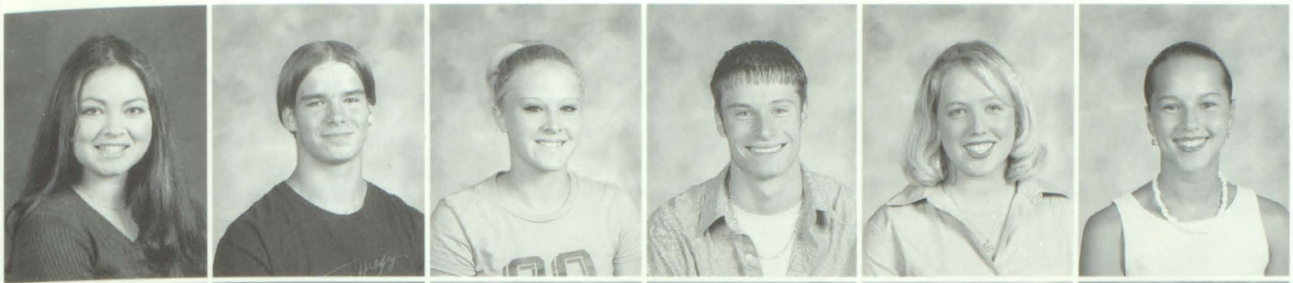


JUNIORS

getting Together

[Above] A group of junior girls gather at Ashlee Kreher's ('03) house the night before Hobo Day. [Left] Showing their own style at the Homecoming Dance, sophomores Amanda Roesch, Meagan Graul, Deanna Weilbacher, Courtney Tieman, and Julia Rodriquez huddle together.



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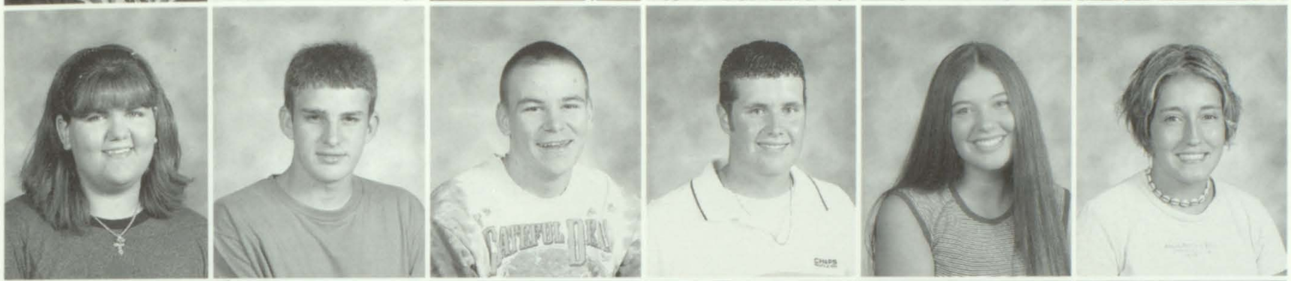

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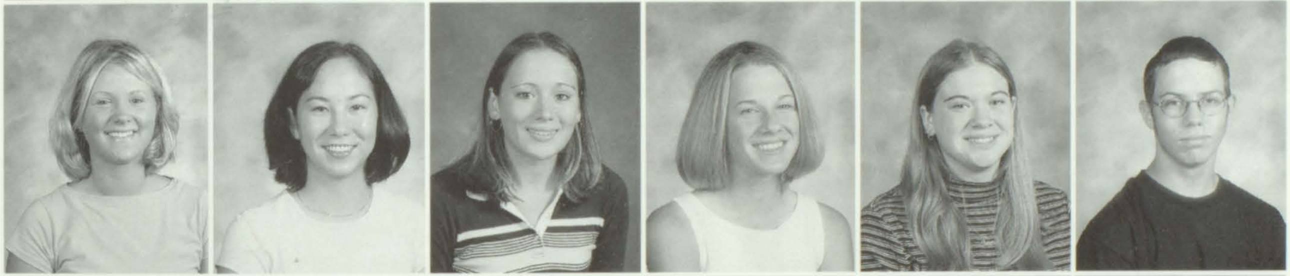

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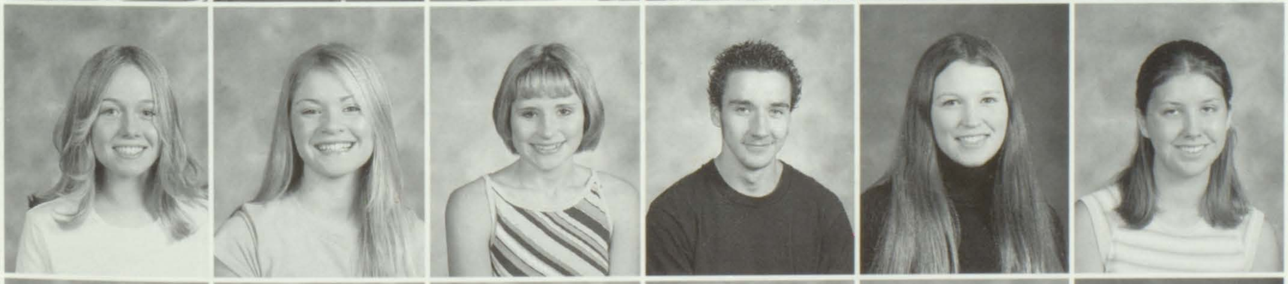

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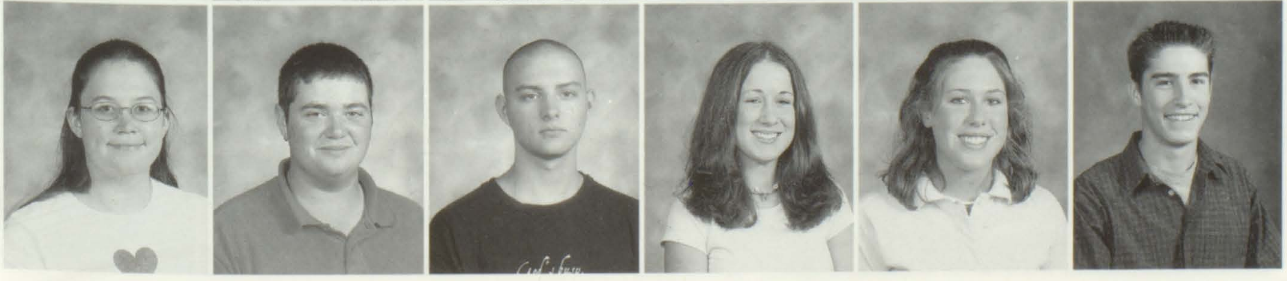

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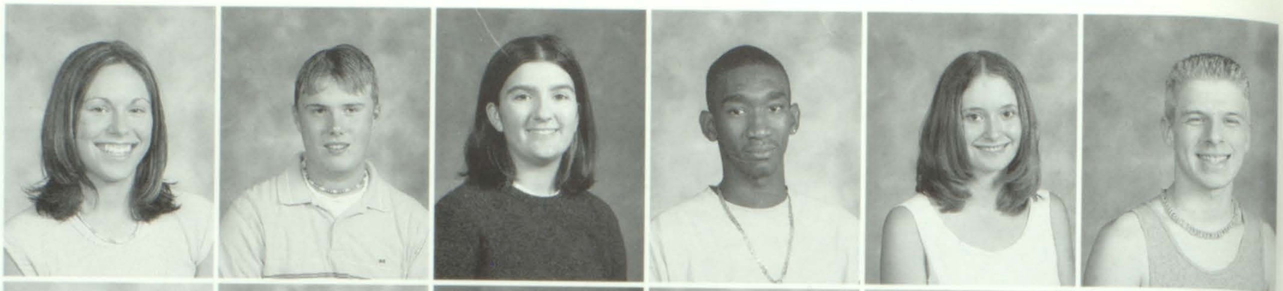

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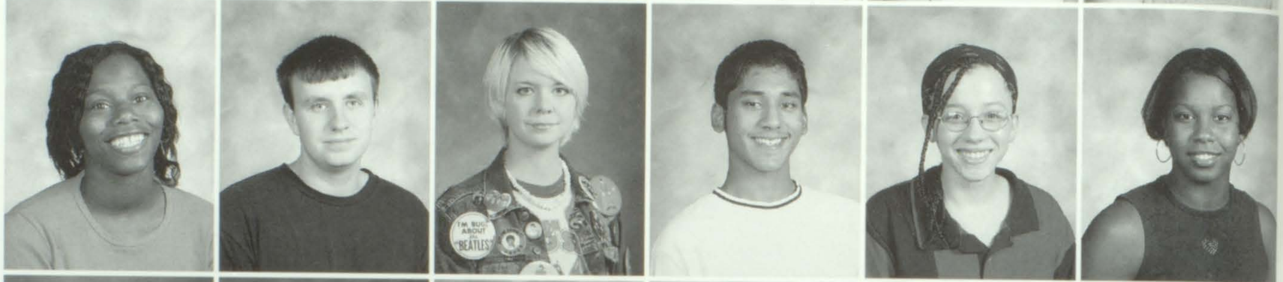

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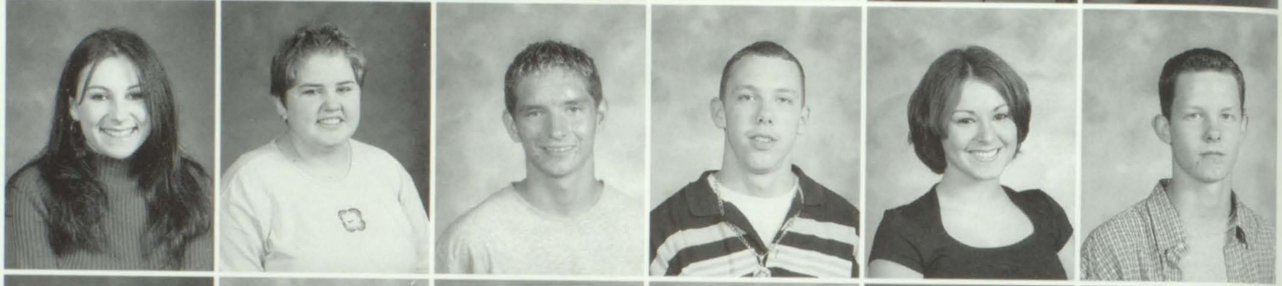

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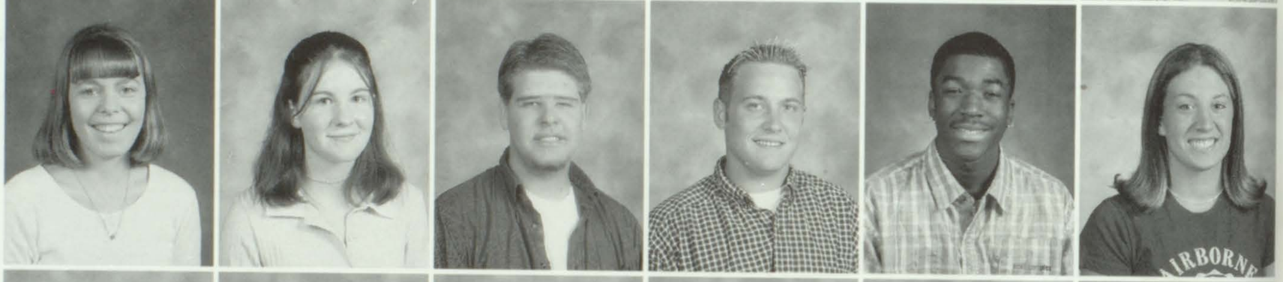

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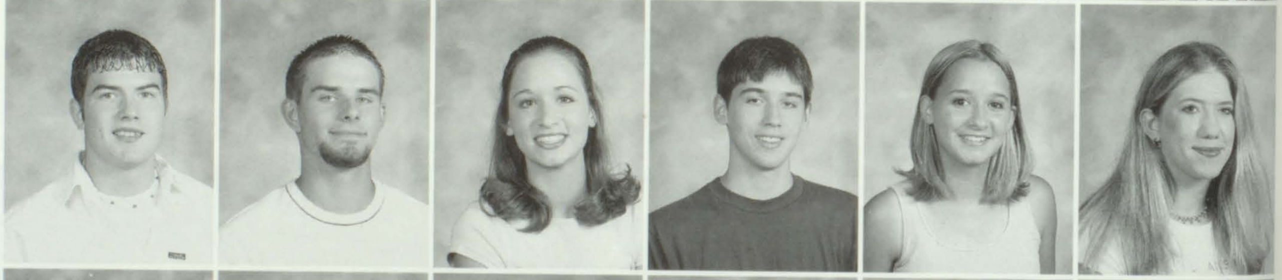

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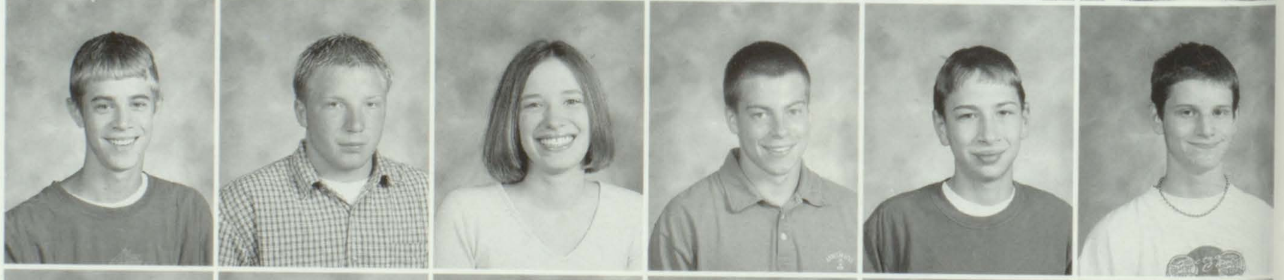

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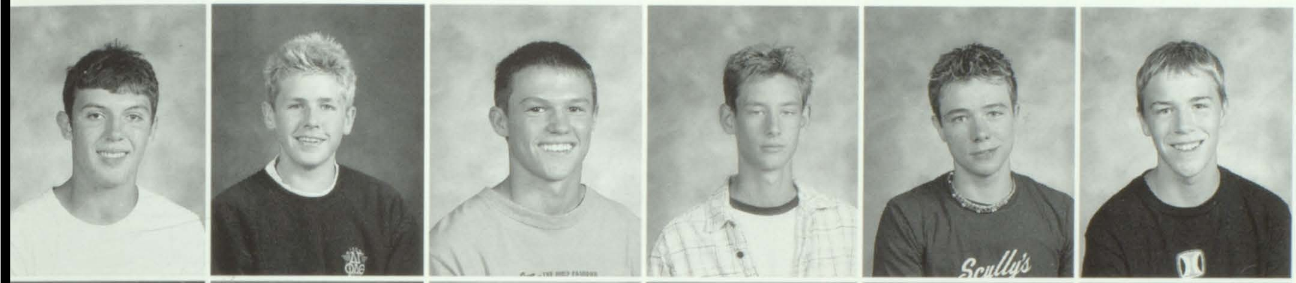

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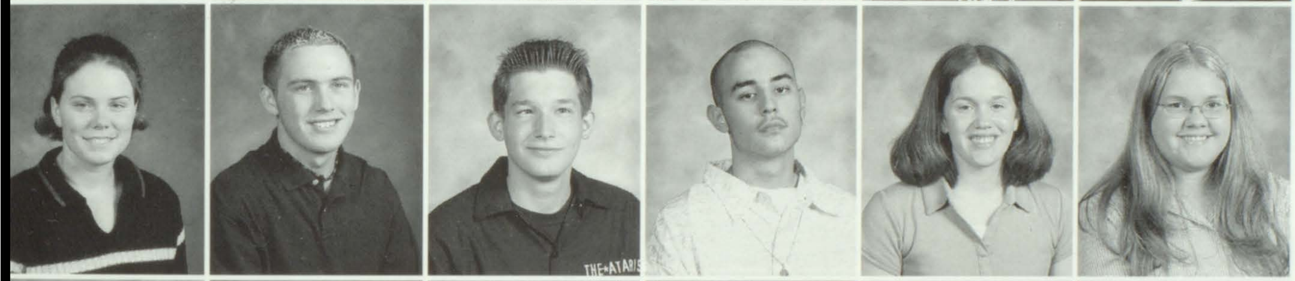

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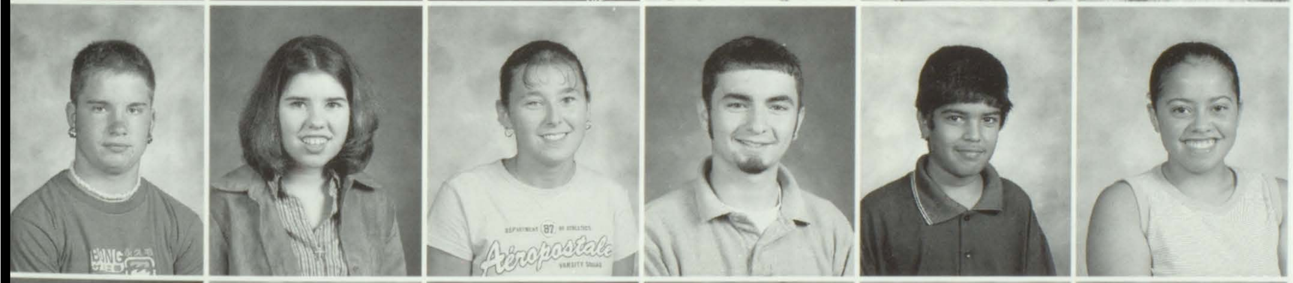

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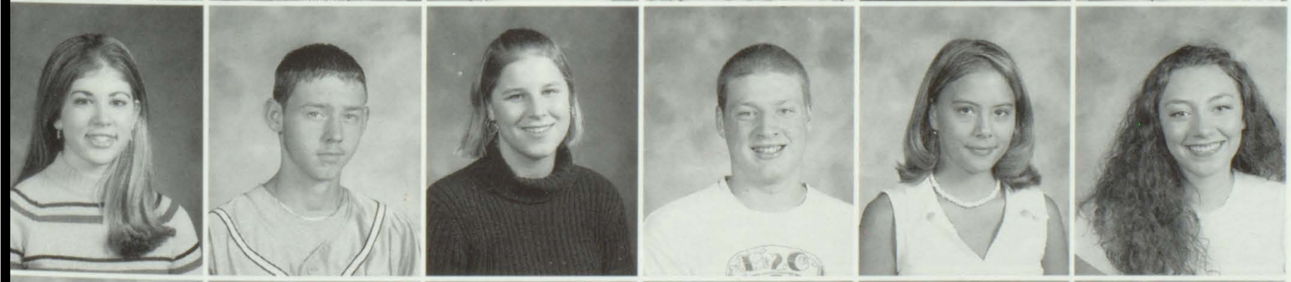

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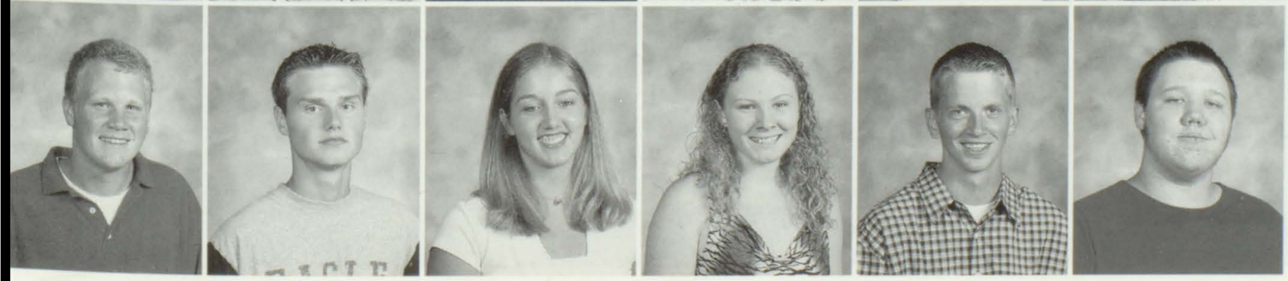

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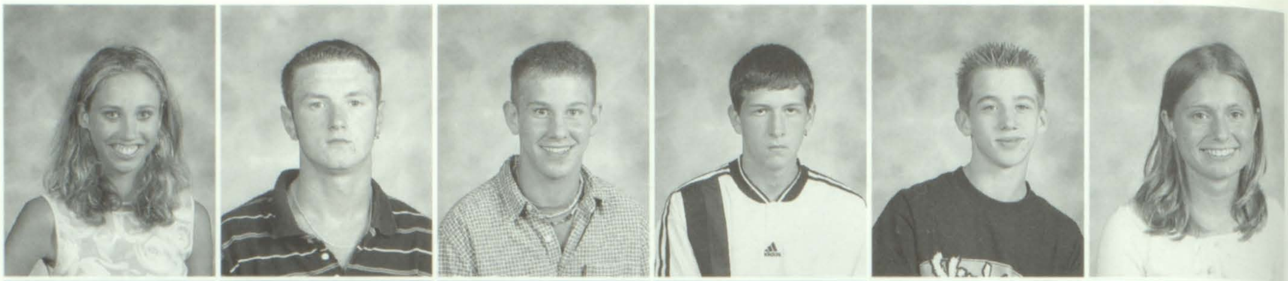

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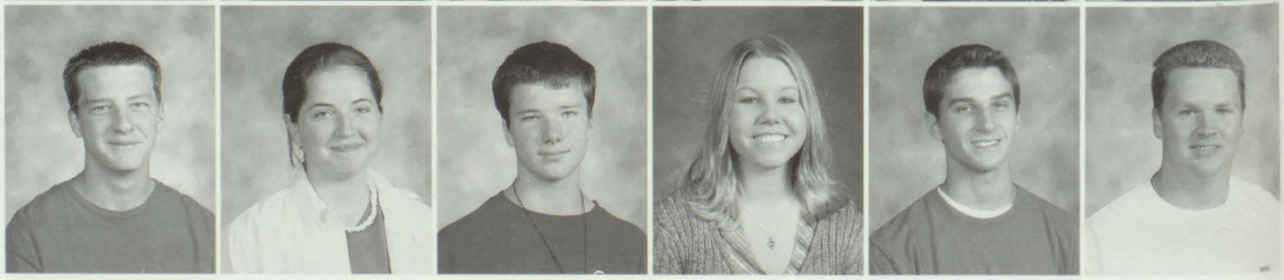

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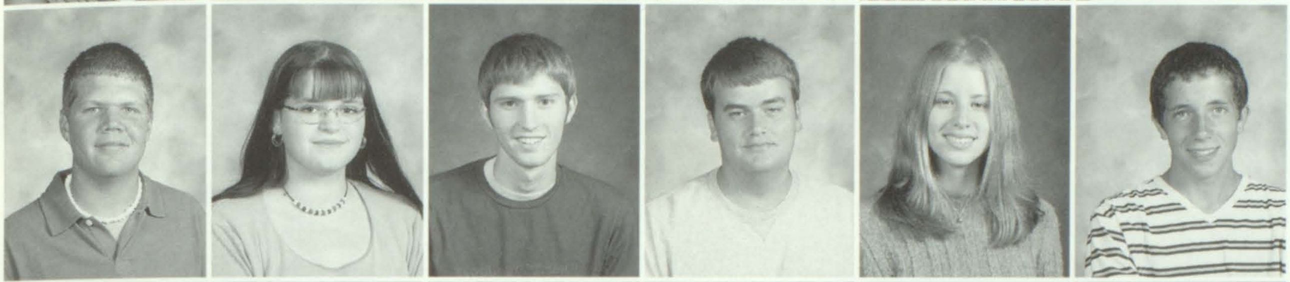

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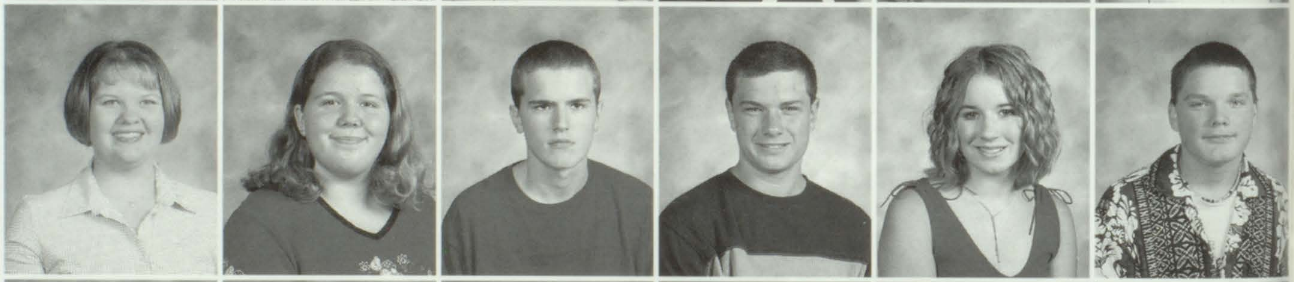

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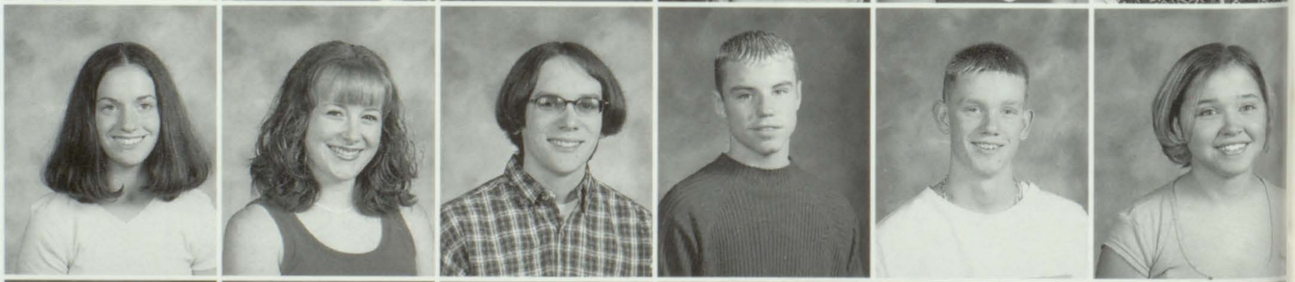

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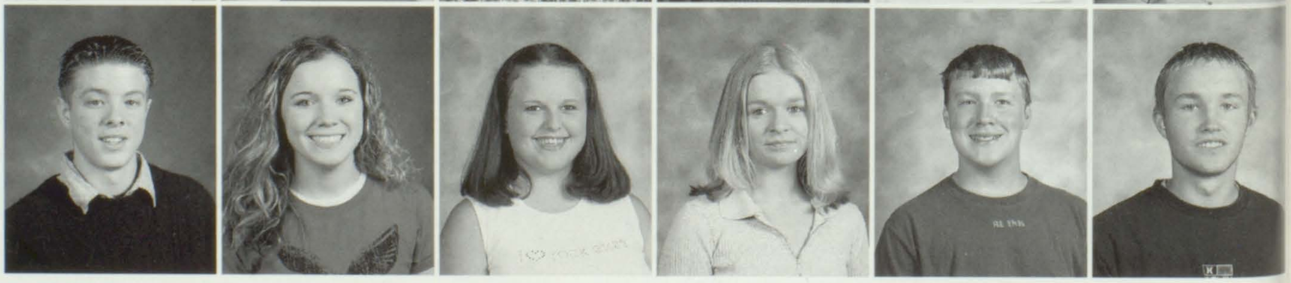

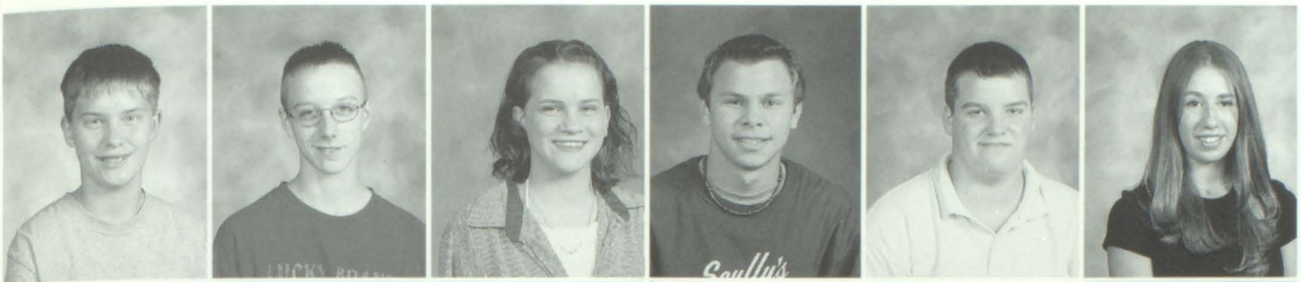

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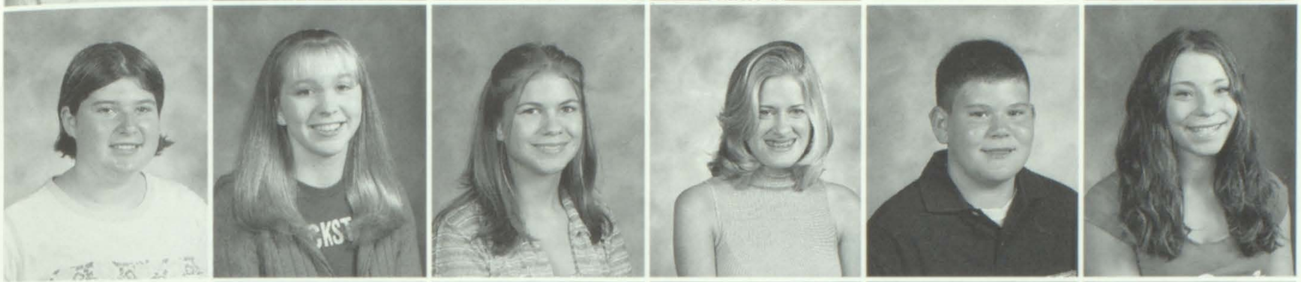

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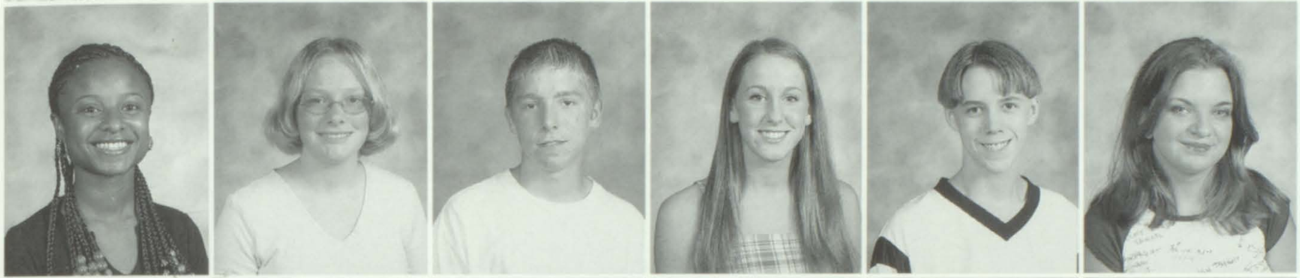

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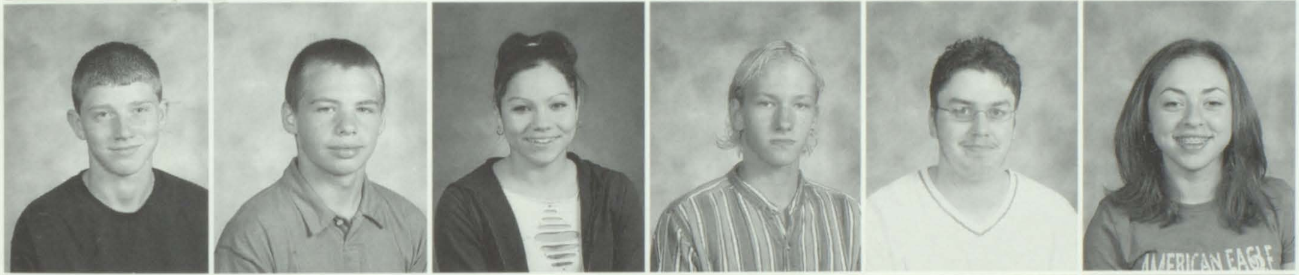

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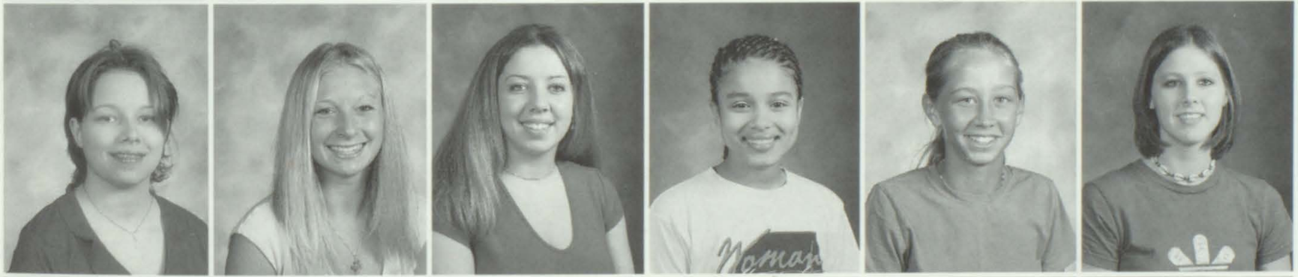

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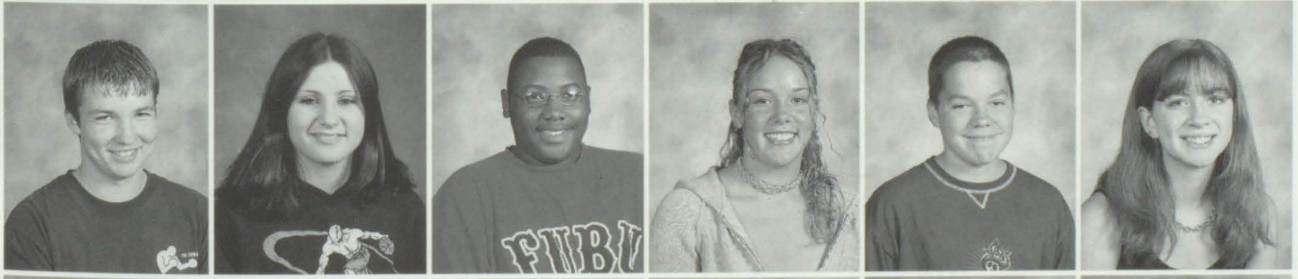

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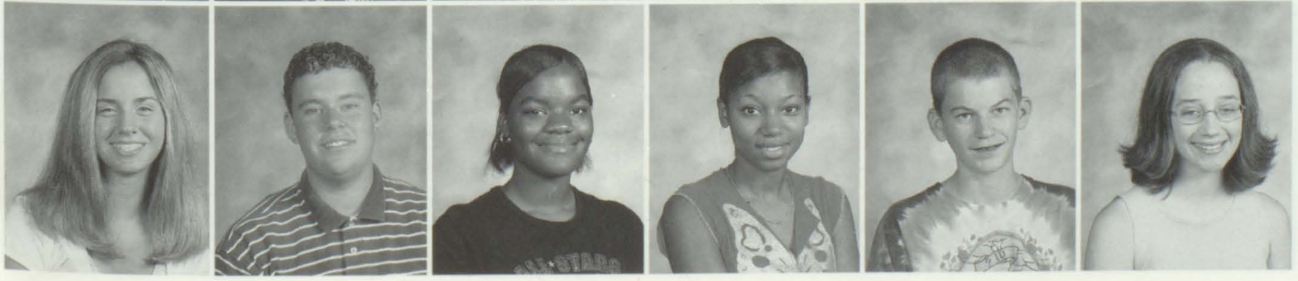

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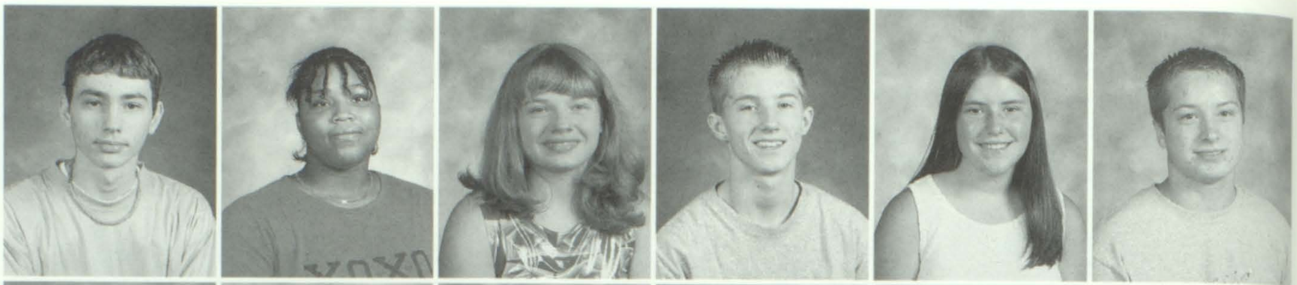

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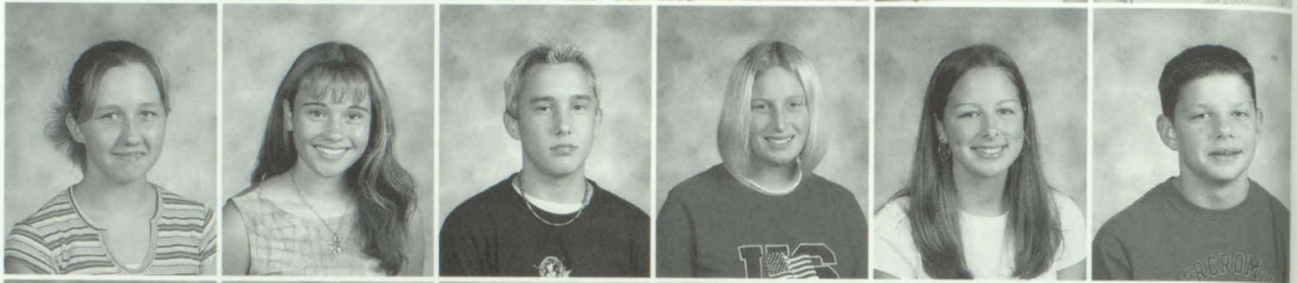

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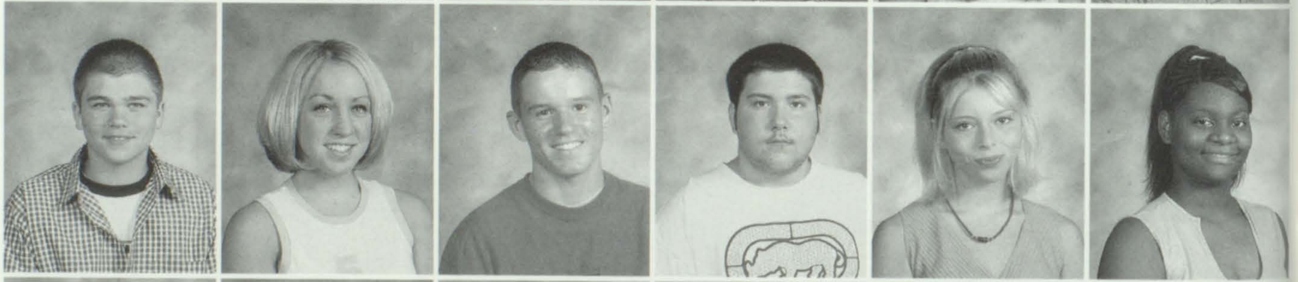

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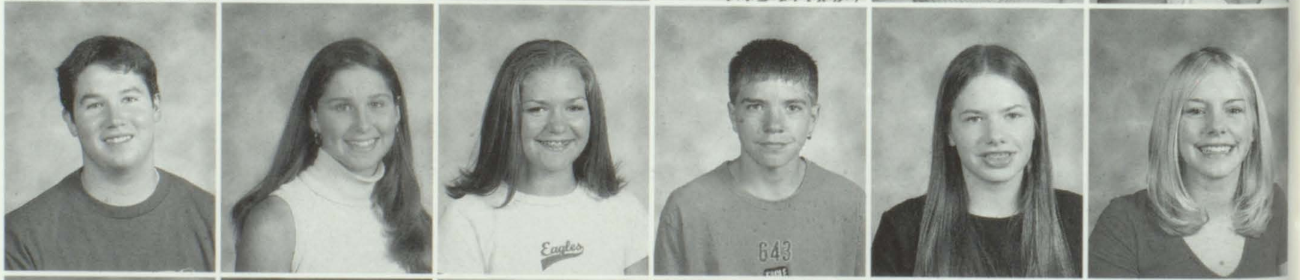

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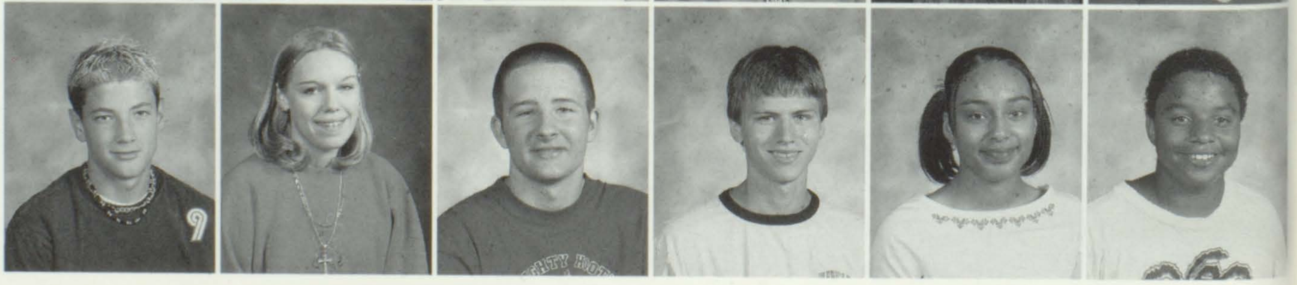

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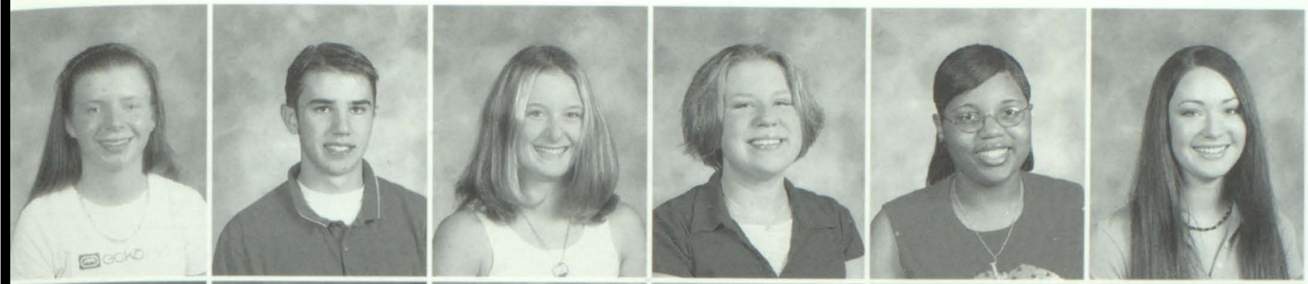

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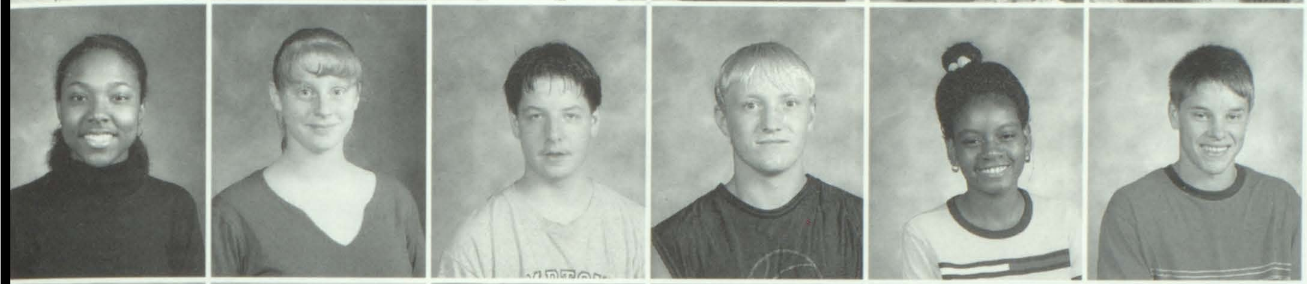

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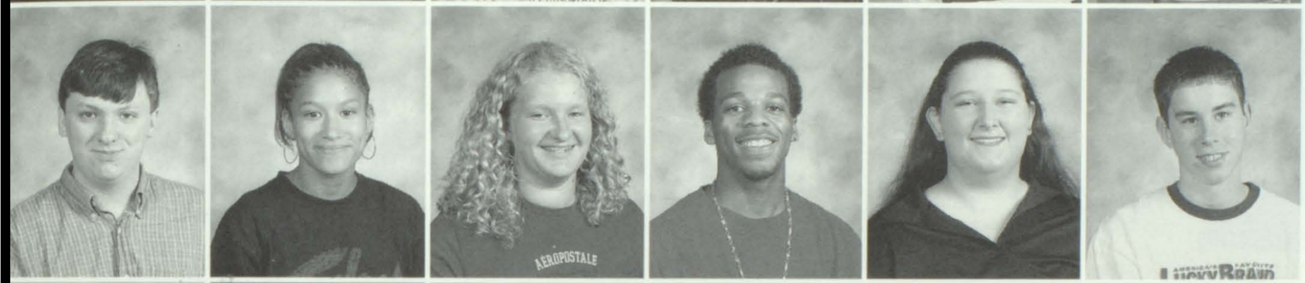

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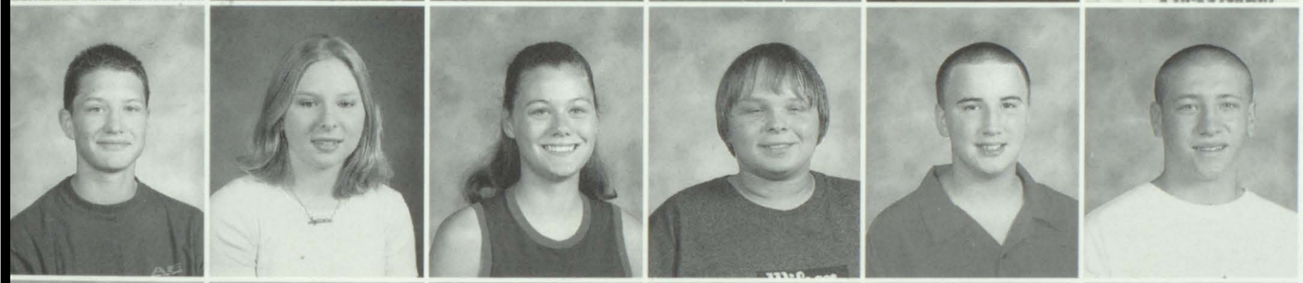

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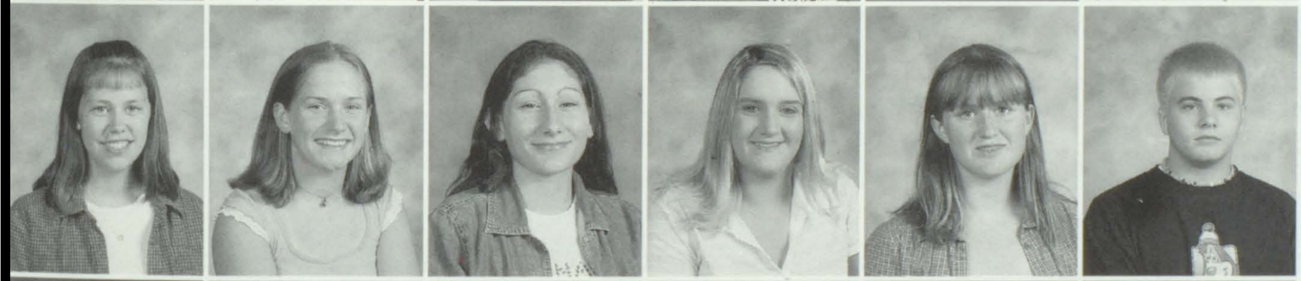

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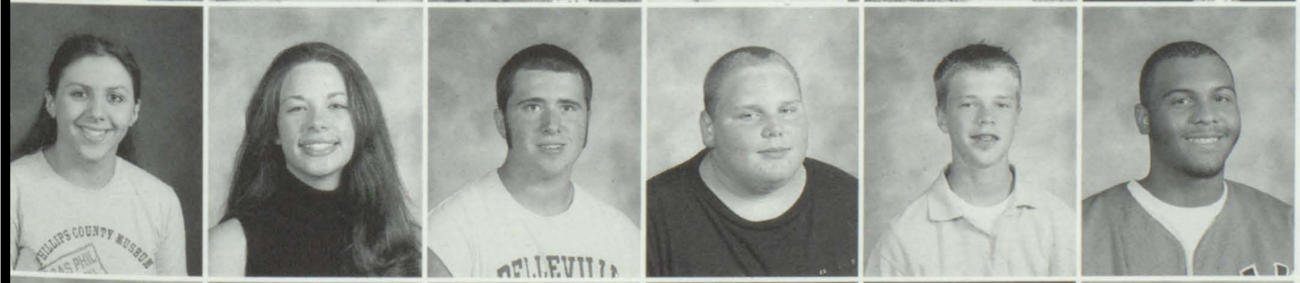

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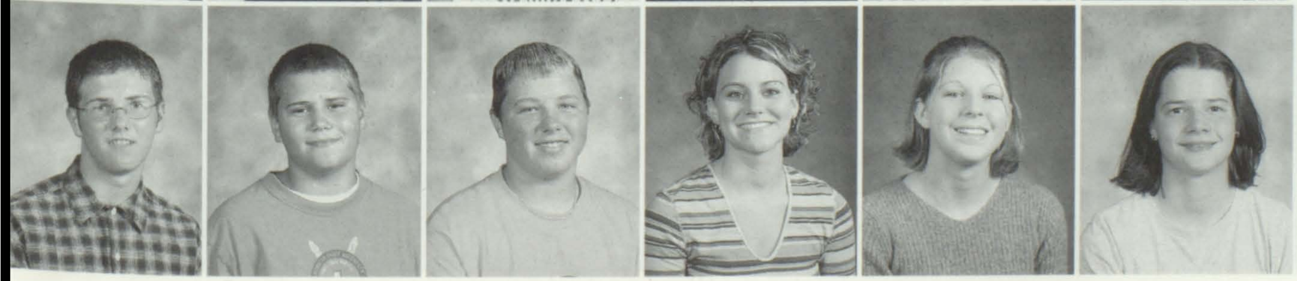

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FAITH

... in the wake of terror

Ever since the September 11 tragedy, many West students have been recognizing the important spiritual elements in their lives. Many have awakened to a new-found interest in religion.

West is certainly full of people with a variety of religions. Catholicism is a popular branch of Christianity in this area. Out of a survey of 10 percent of West's population, 27 percent of students are Catholic.

While religion is popular, some people do not feel a need for it in their lives.

"As much as I'd like to believe there is a supreme being, there just isn't evidence to prove it," Stacey Schneider ('04). • *Stacy Obst*

A Breakdown of West's Beliefs:

Atheist: 5%

Baptist: 7%

Catholic: 27%

Lutheran: 21%

Methodist: 16 %

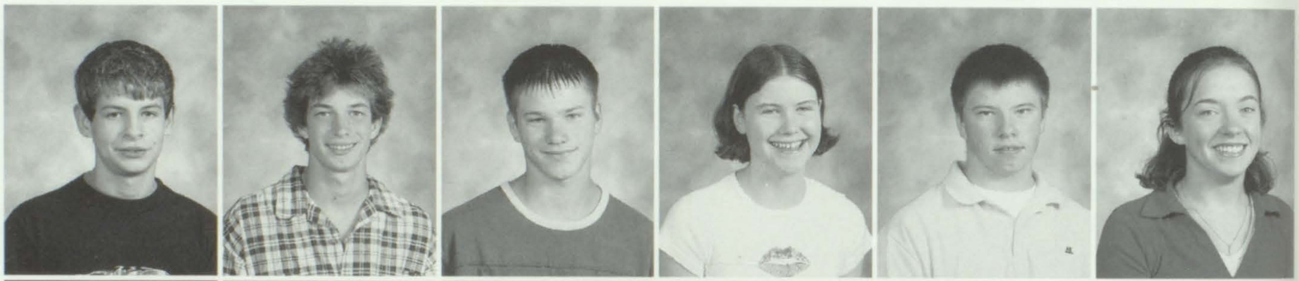
Mormon: 1%

Muslim: 3%

None: 1%

Pentecostal: 10%

United Church of Christ: 9%



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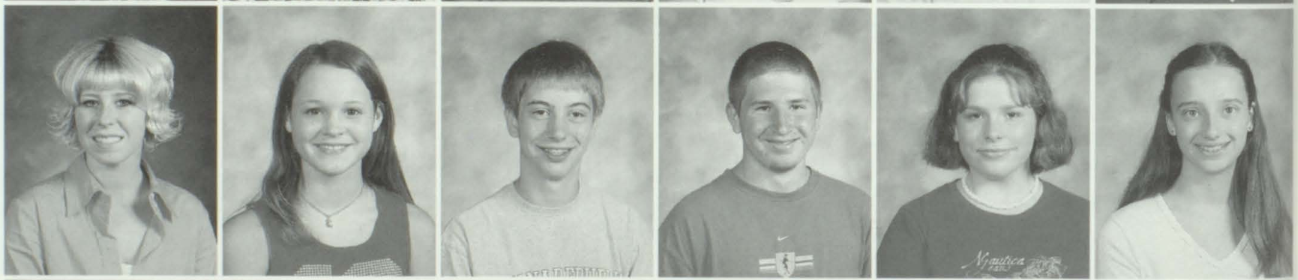

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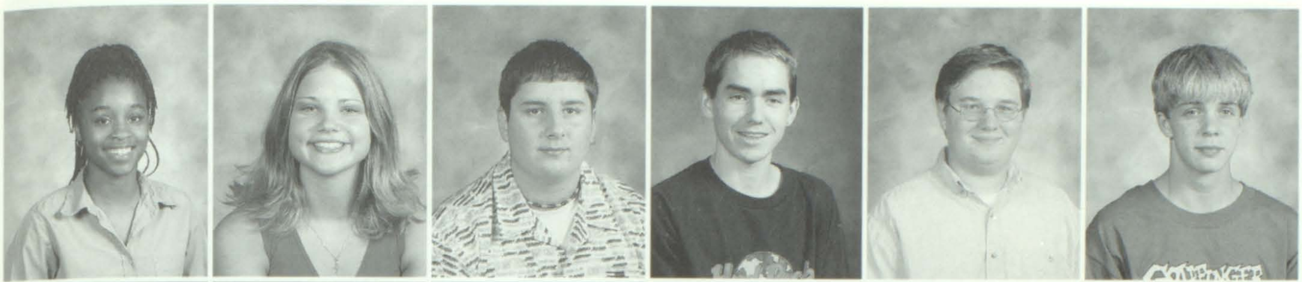

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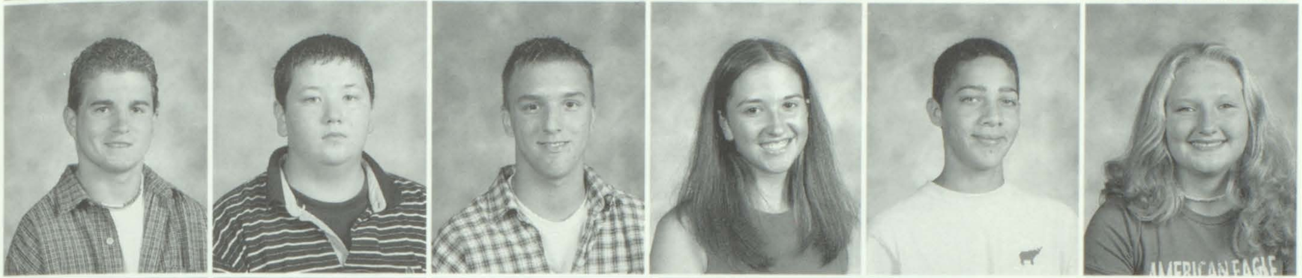

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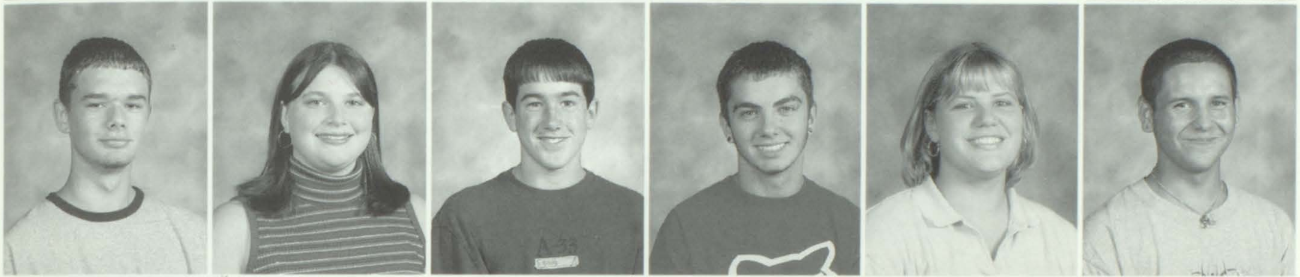

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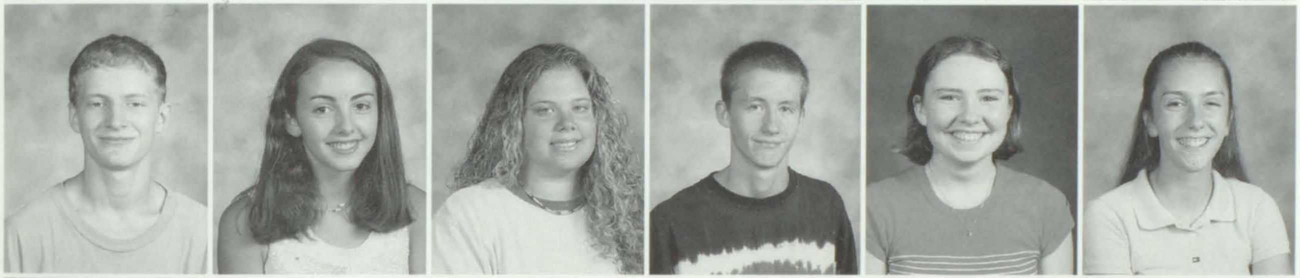

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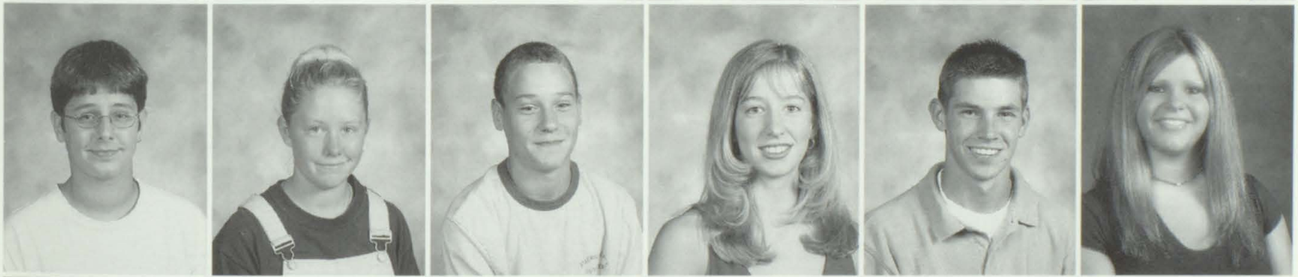

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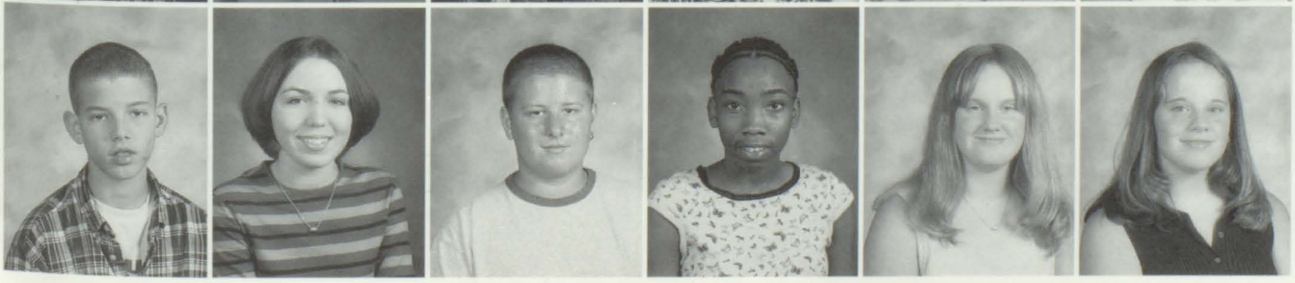

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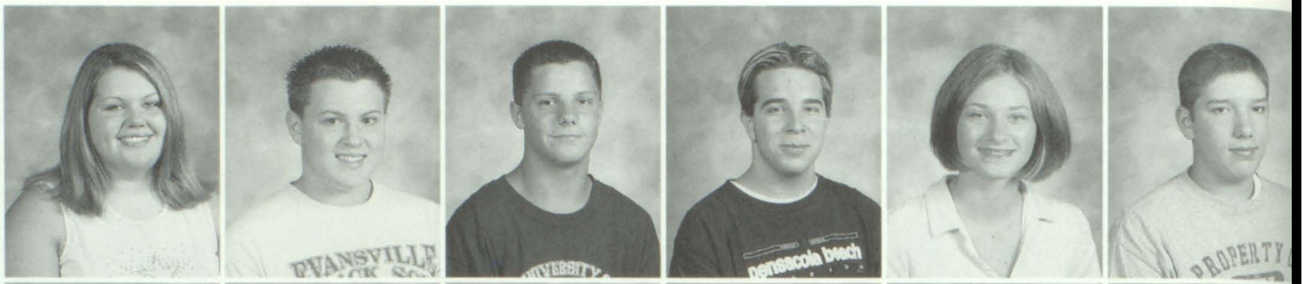

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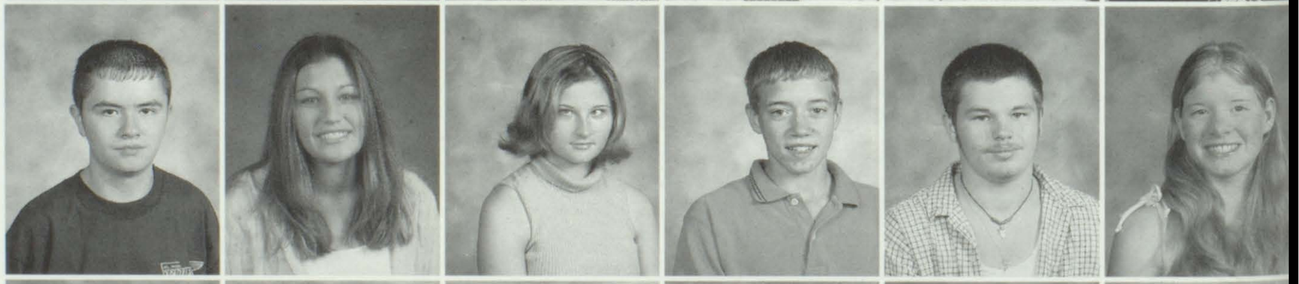

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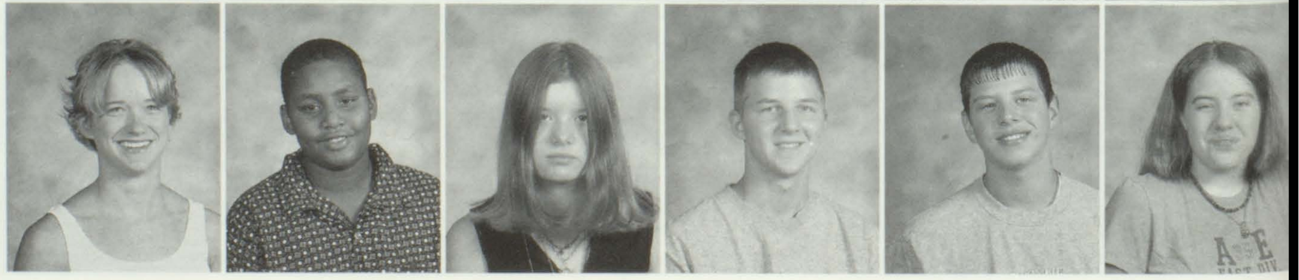
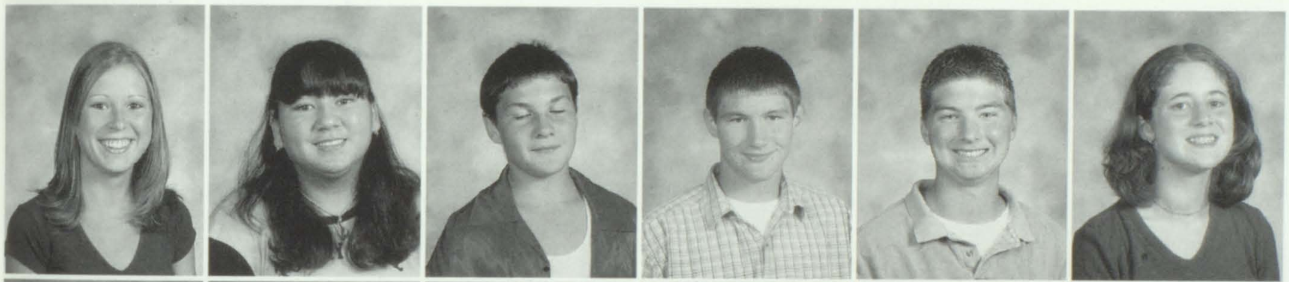


proud of '04

Tolerating the sun and the heat, sophomores Kyle Wendling, Chane Clark, Michael Newman and T.J. Jarvis enjoy the Maroons Are Great assembly.



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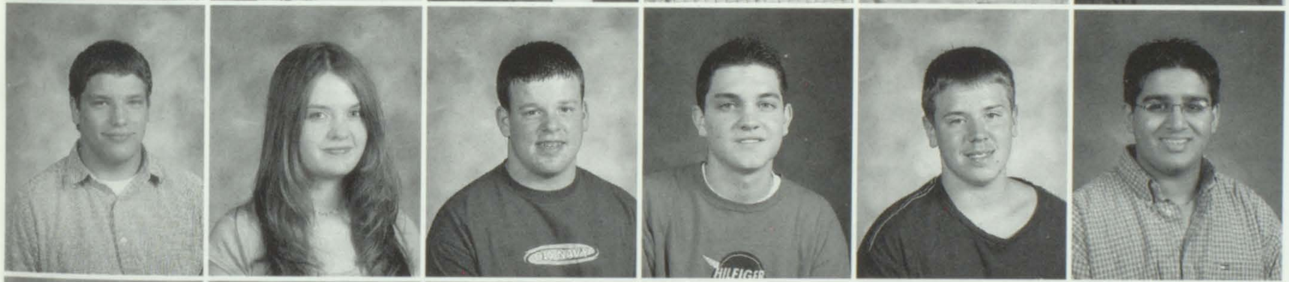

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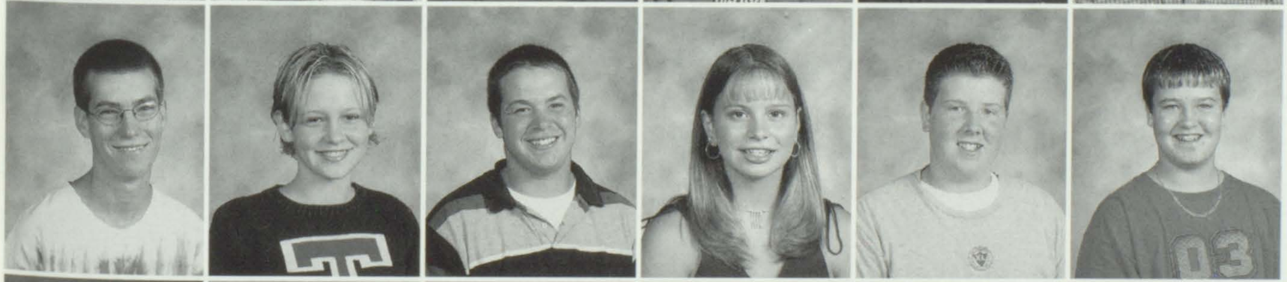

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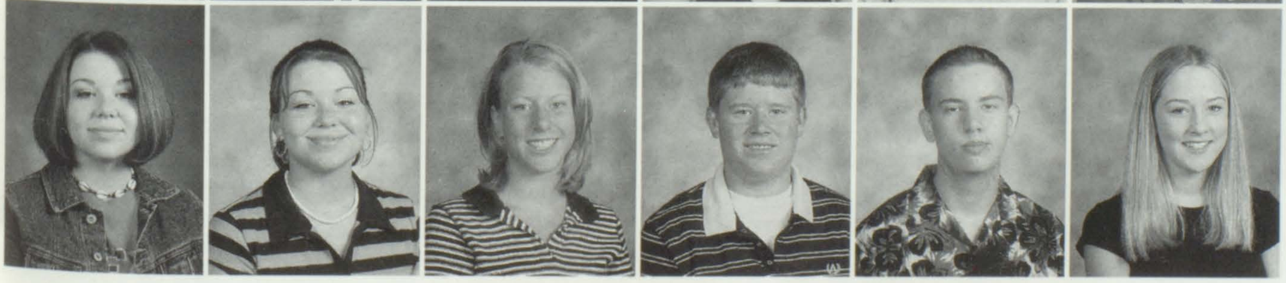

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BUSTED!

What punishment do *you* serve when you've been naughty?

No television for a week, no internet for a weekend, and no telephone for two weeks. These are common punishments for teenagers. Some parents follow through with their punishments while others do not.

"I was supposed to be grounded from the internet and phone for a weekend. But it only lasted two seconds, because my mom and I talked it out," Laura Asbury ('04) said.

Some parents do follow through with their punishments even if their child is sorry.

"I try to compromise. Compromising is an art, a dangerous art, and it doesn't always work," Madelyn Boyne ('05) said.

Boyne added that when she gets grounded it lasts anywhere from a day to a week or two.

"I go to school. I come home. That's my day. Exciting, right?" Boyne explained sarcastically.

When sophomore Becky Greiman was younger, her parents put her toys in a trash bag and hid them in the attic for a month.

"I thought they threw all my toys away!" Greiman added.

Erin Conner's ('04) parents have a different outlook on punishment.

"I've never really gotten grounded. When I am in trouble, I talk it out with my parents. Although they are mad, they realize that I learn from my mistakes. But in order to learn, they have to show me the right way. Taking away TV won't show me what is right," Conner explained. • *Sarah Haas*

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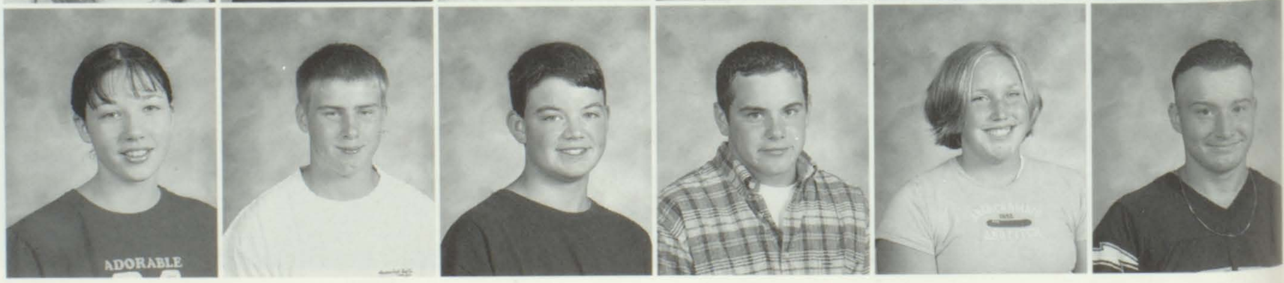

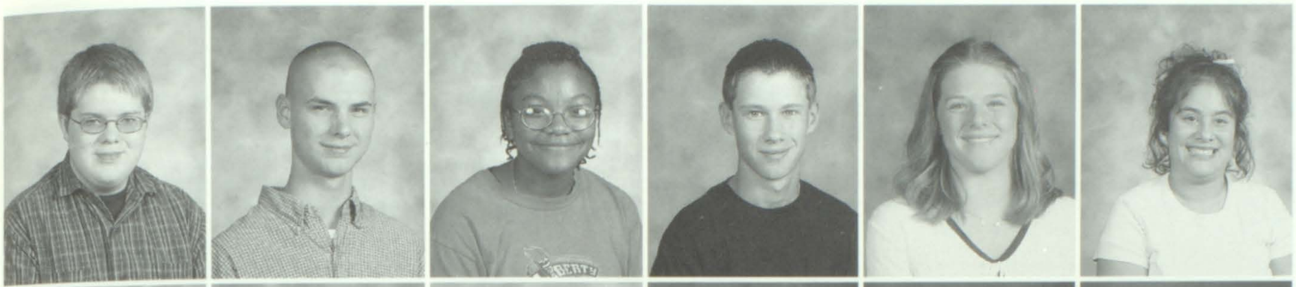

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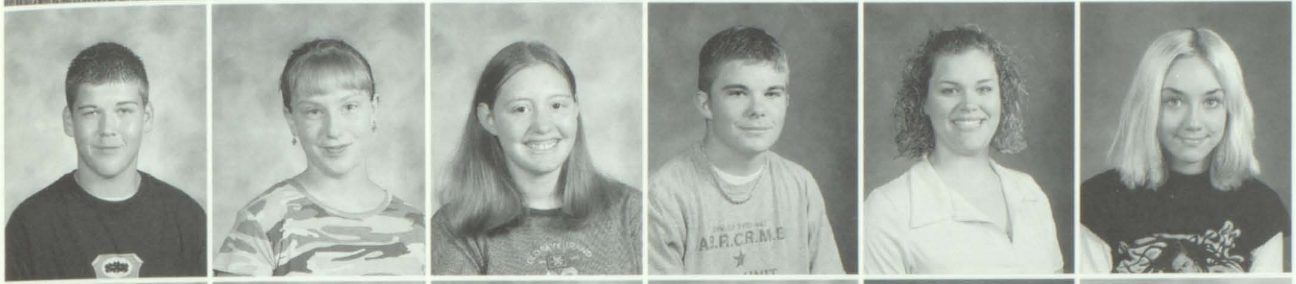

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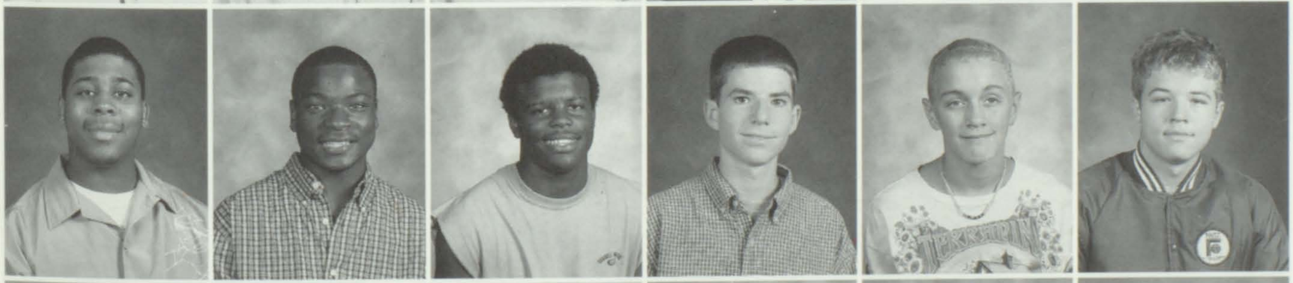

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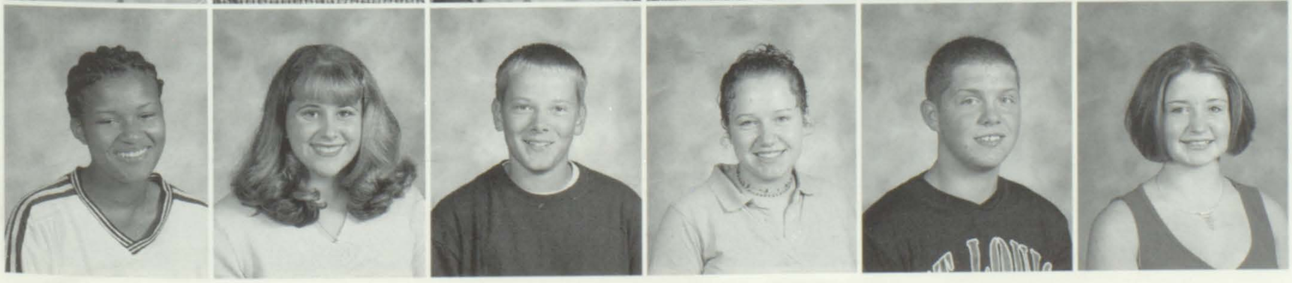

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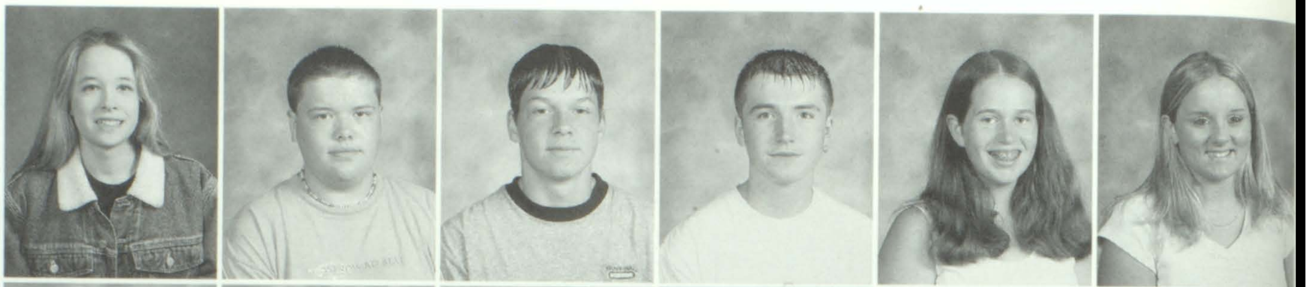

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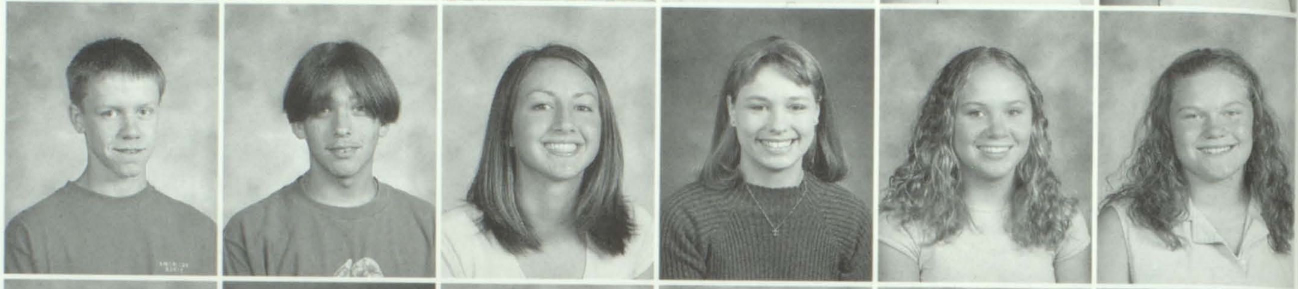

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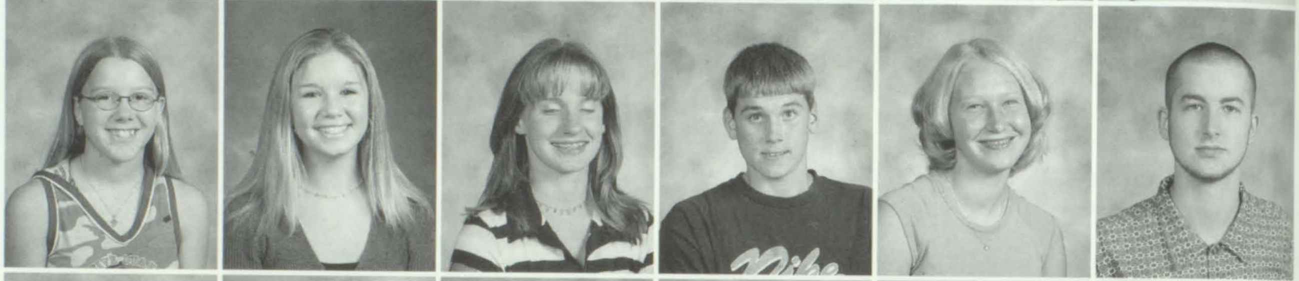

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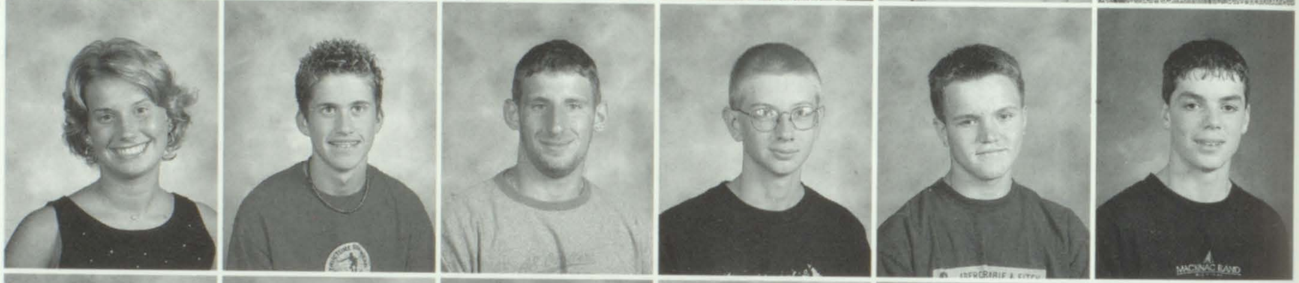

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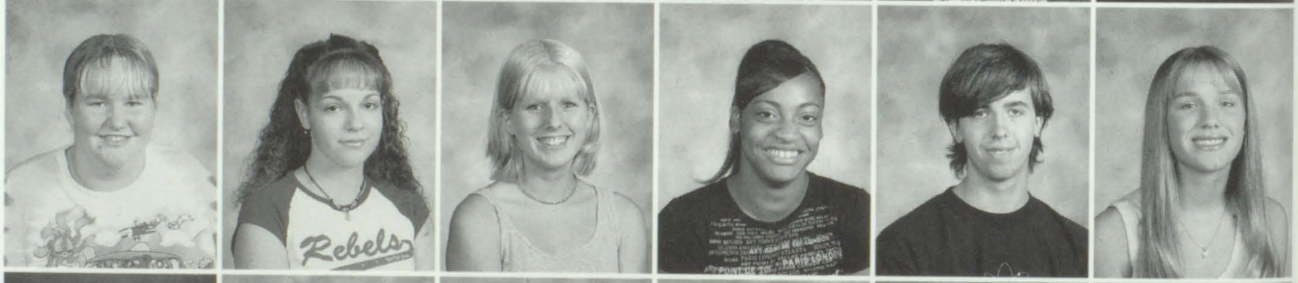

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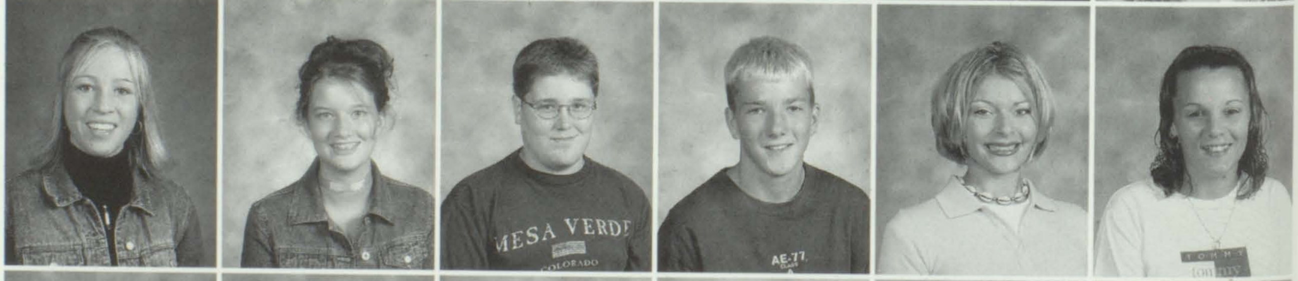

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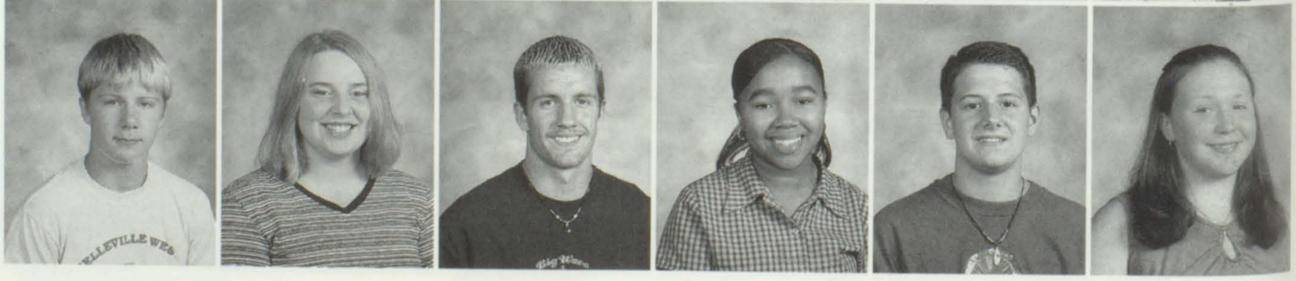

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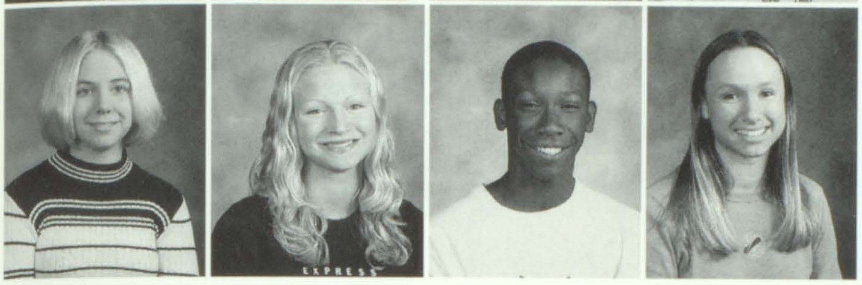

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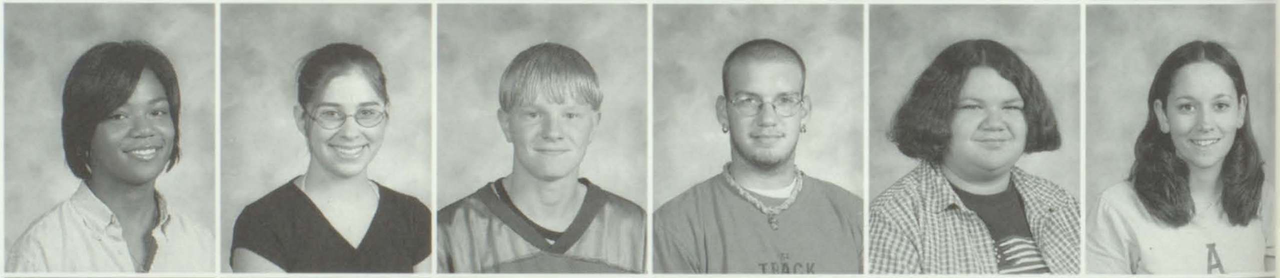

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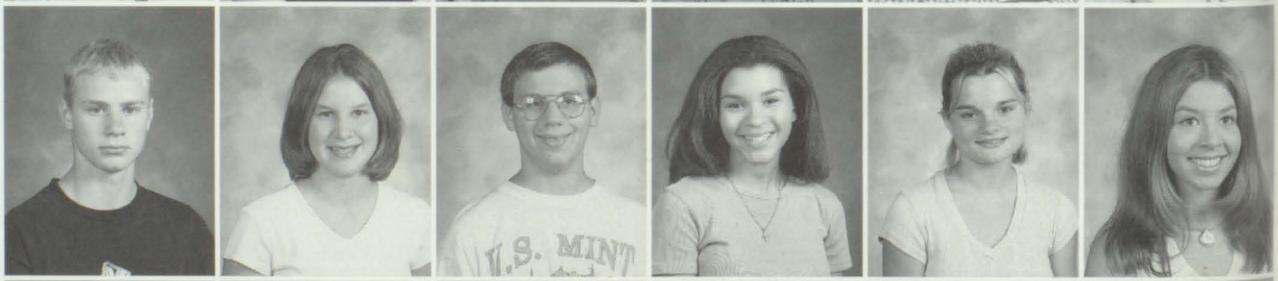

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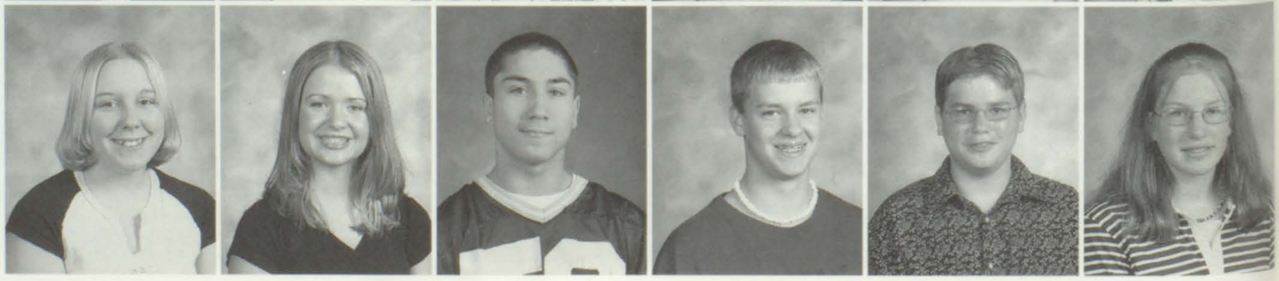

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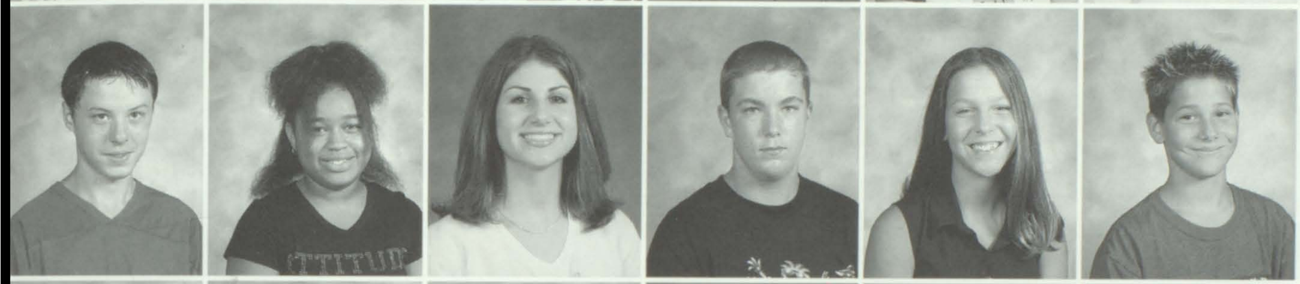

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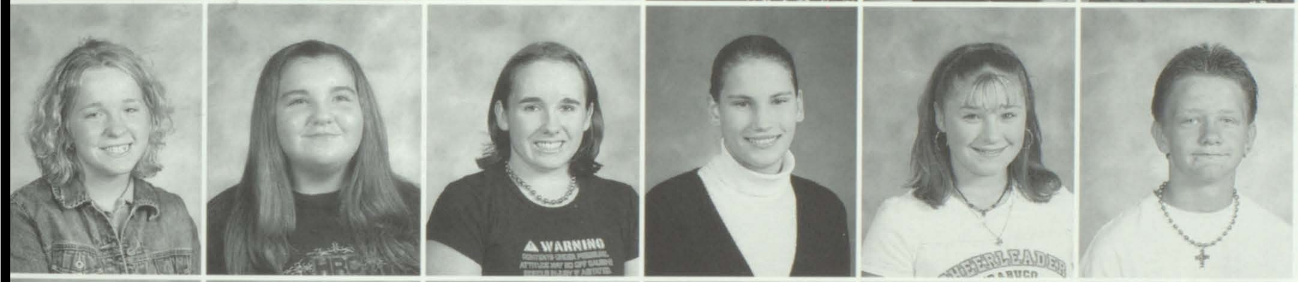

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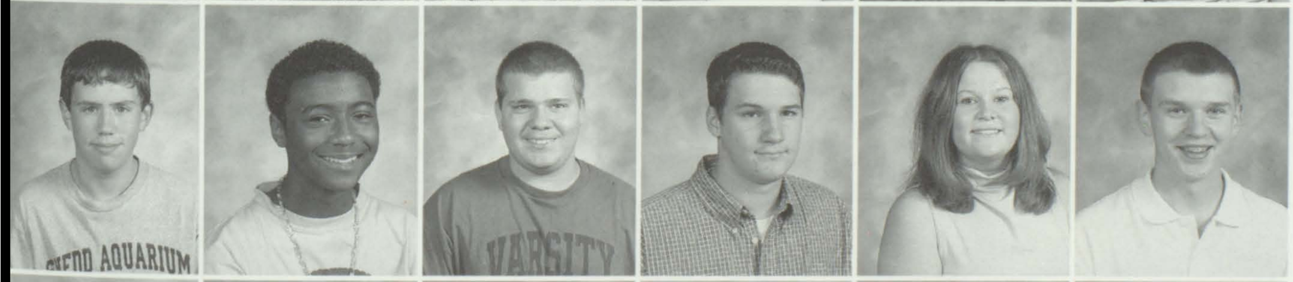

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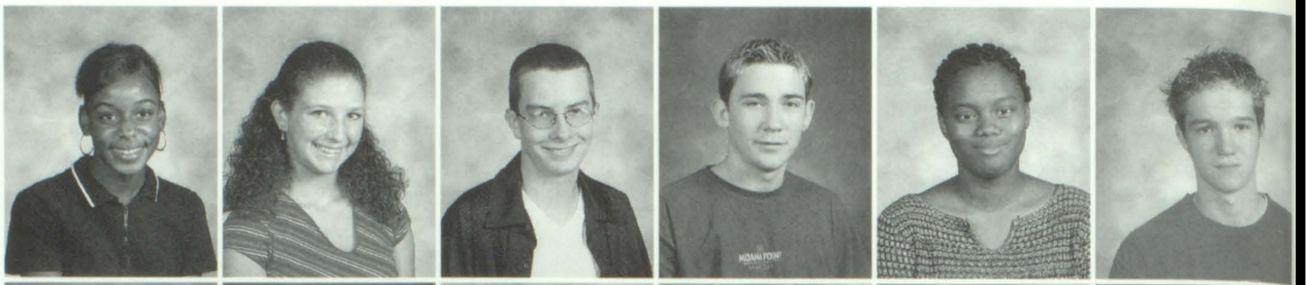

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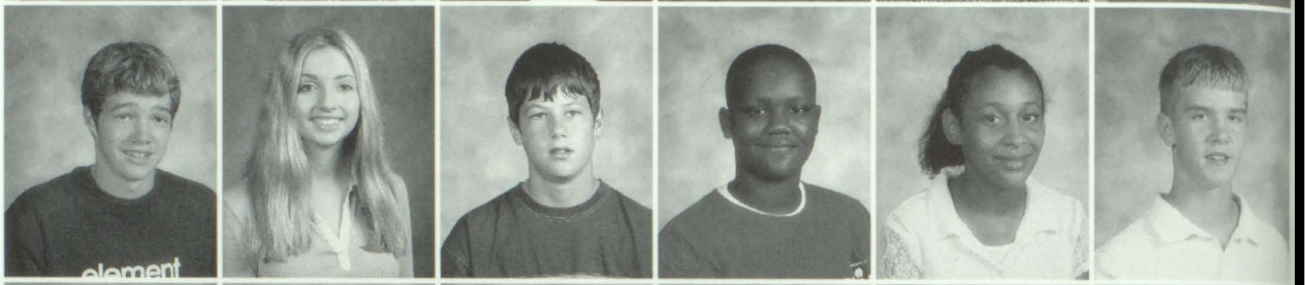

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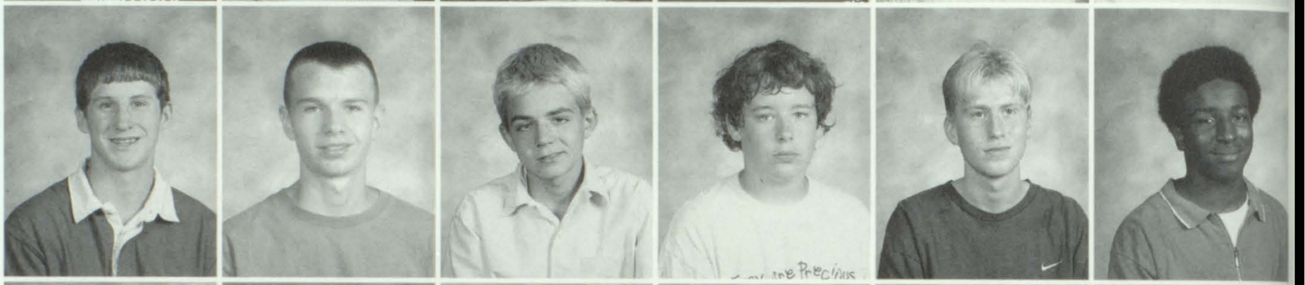

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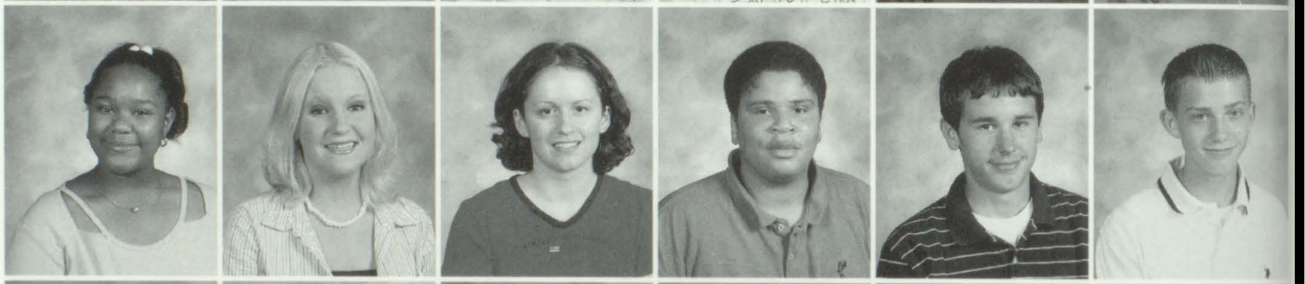

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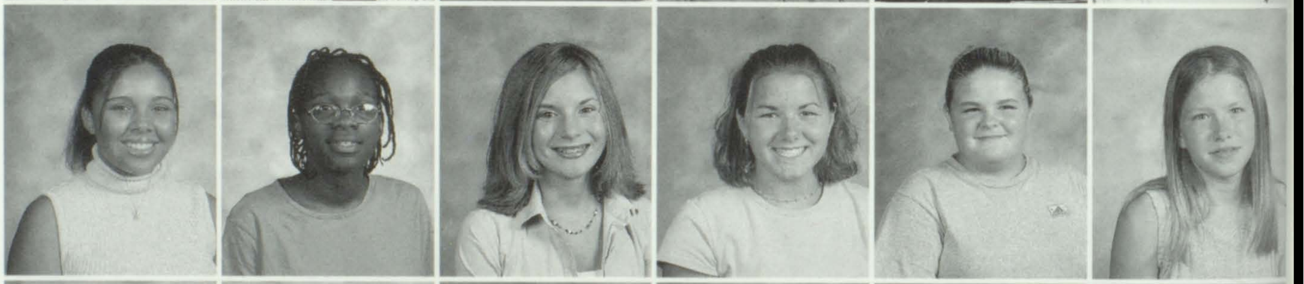

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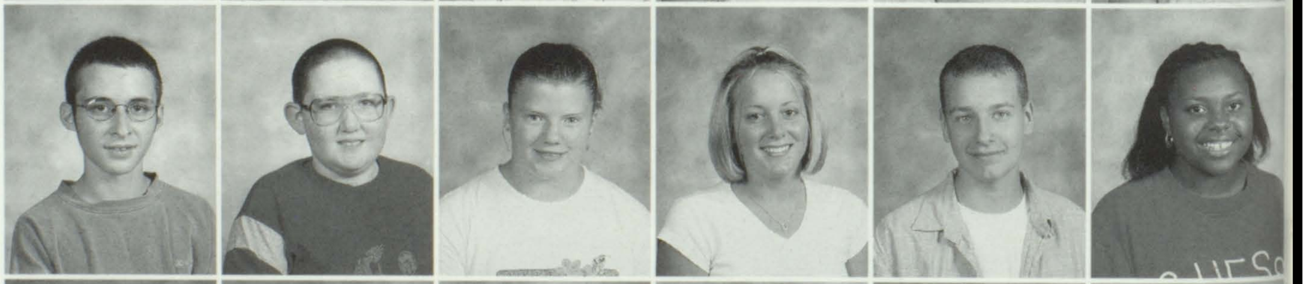

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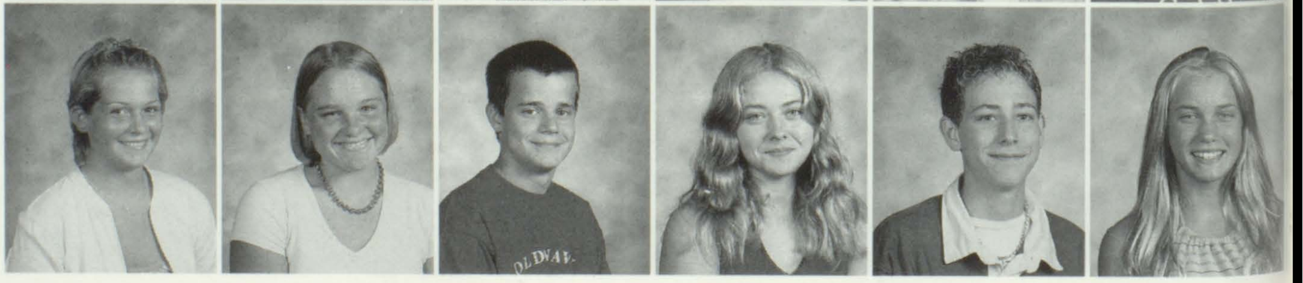

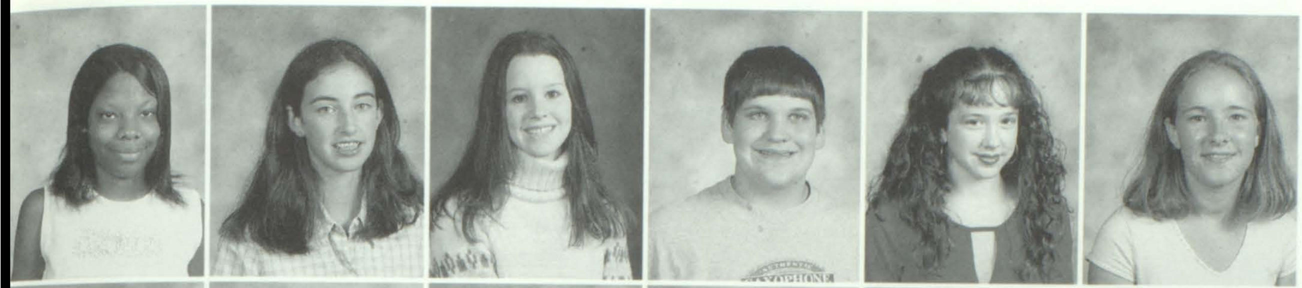

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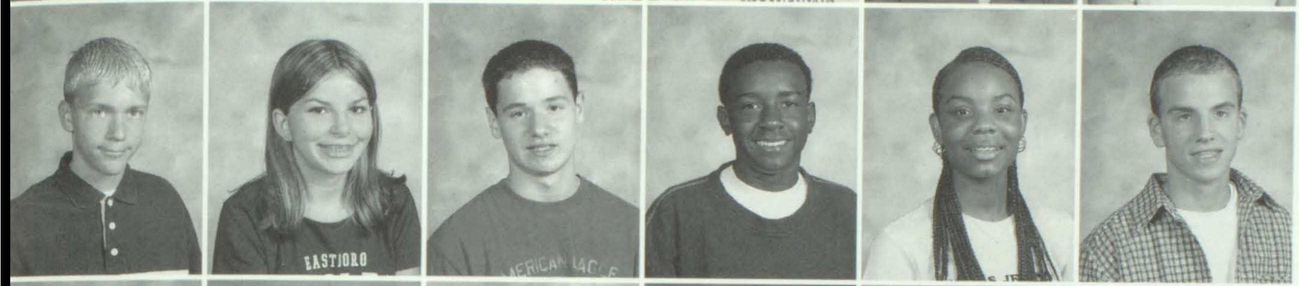

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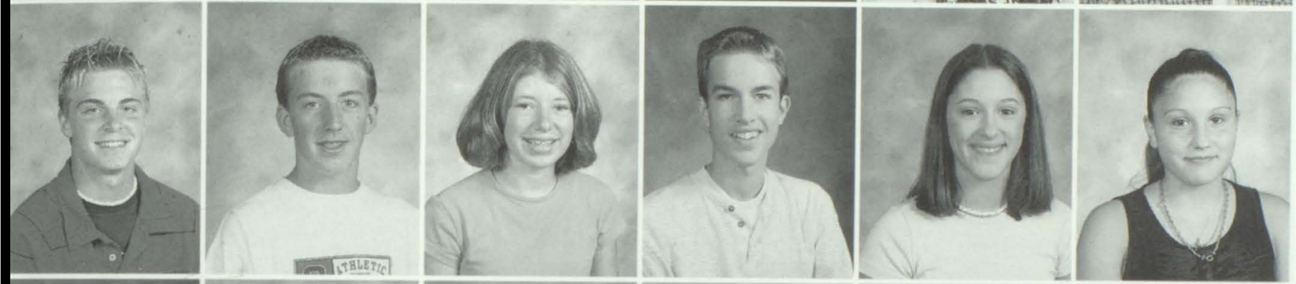

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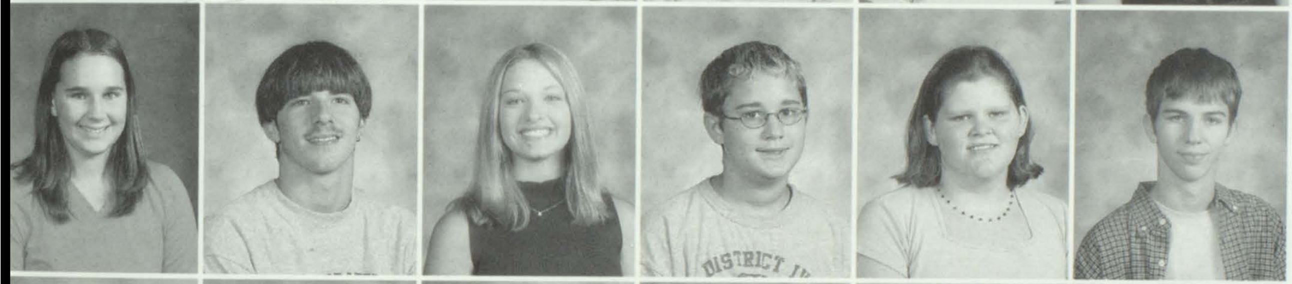

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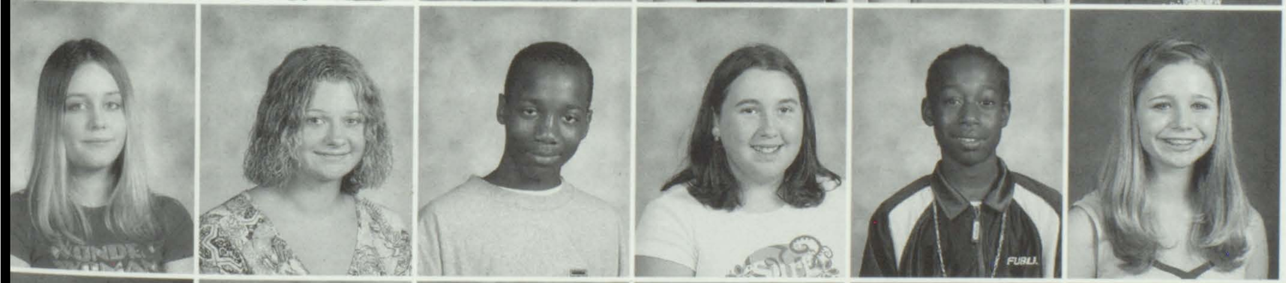

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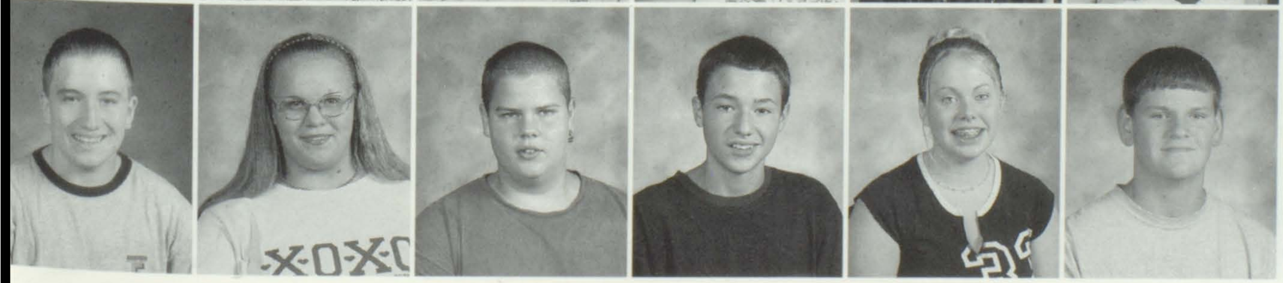

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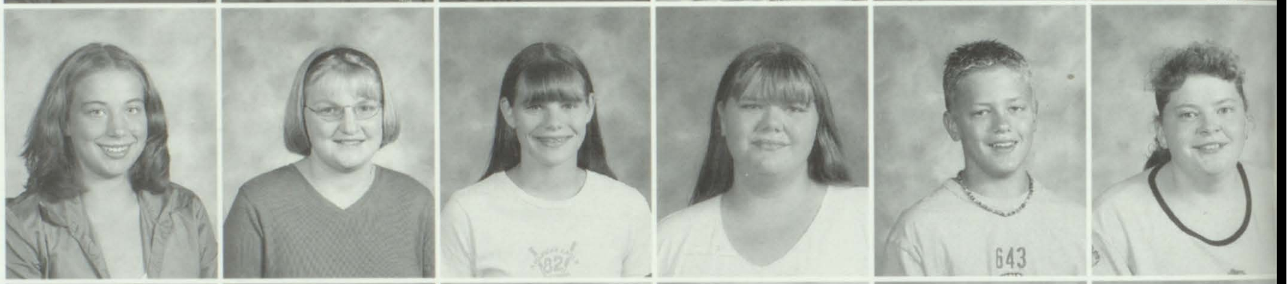

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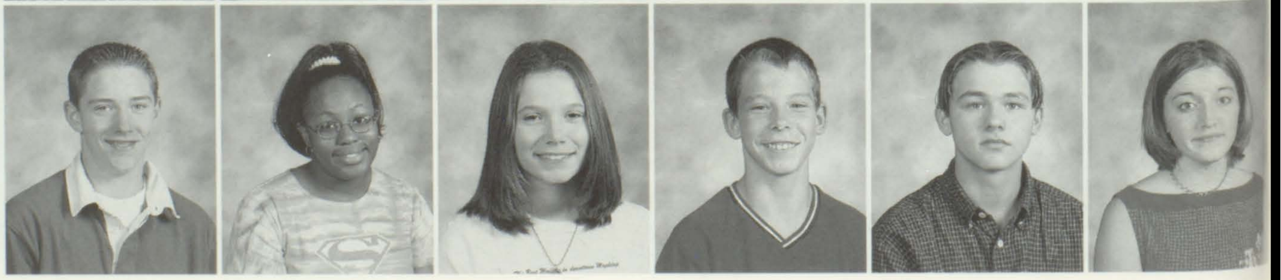

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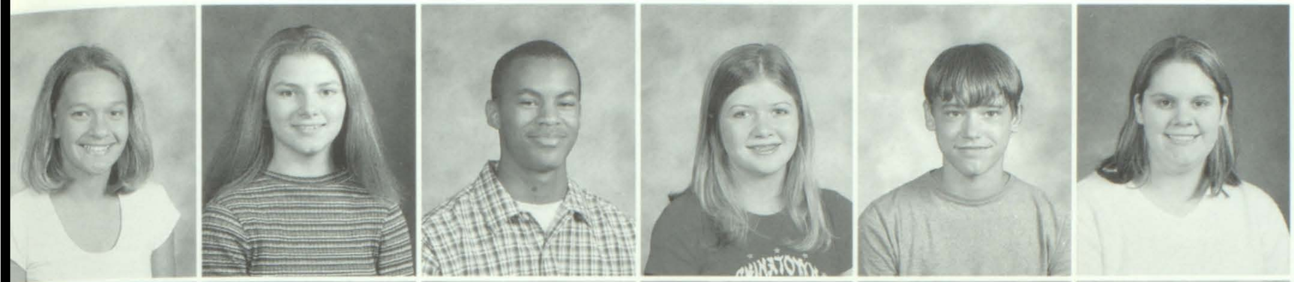

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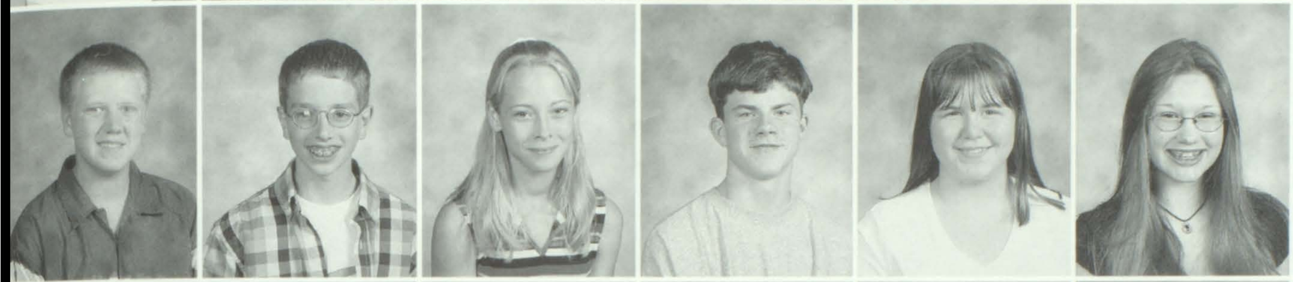

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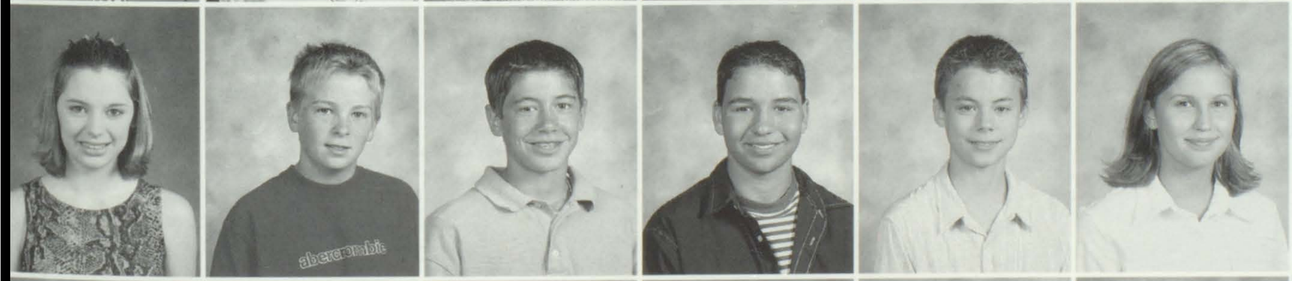

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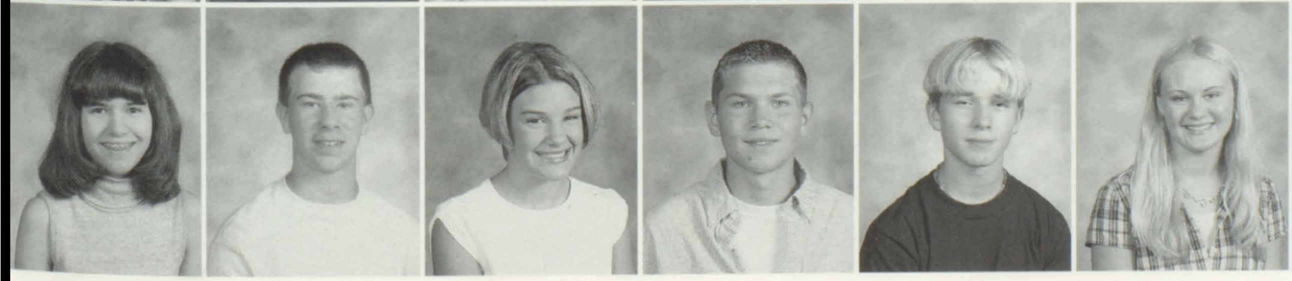

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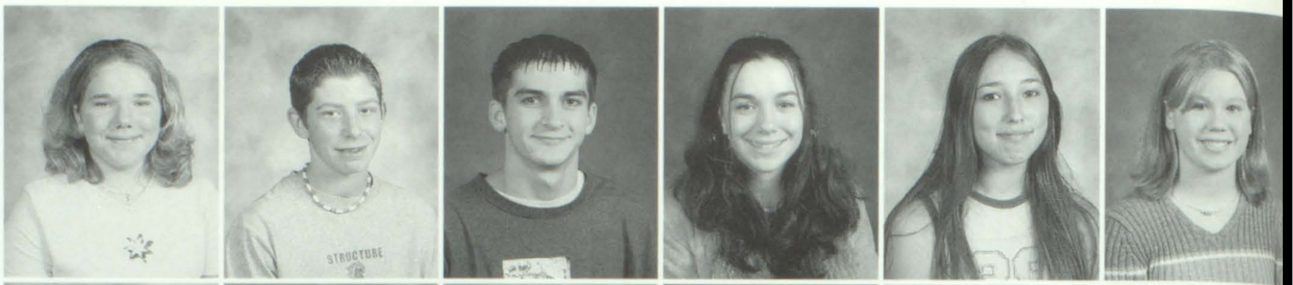

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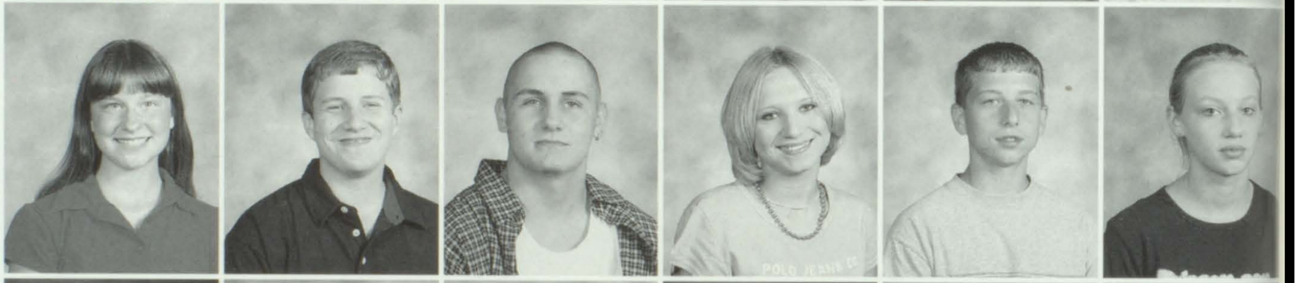

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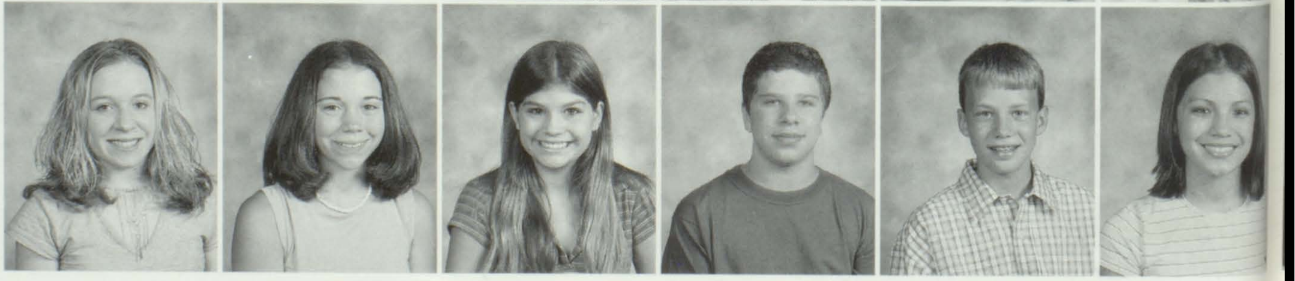

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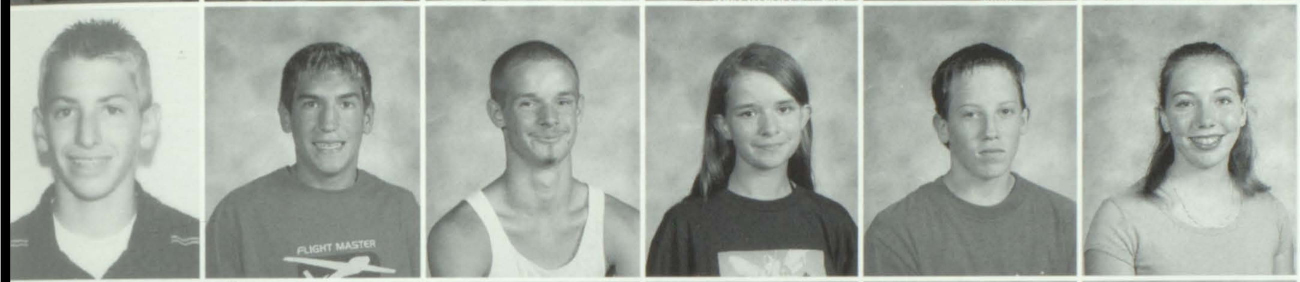

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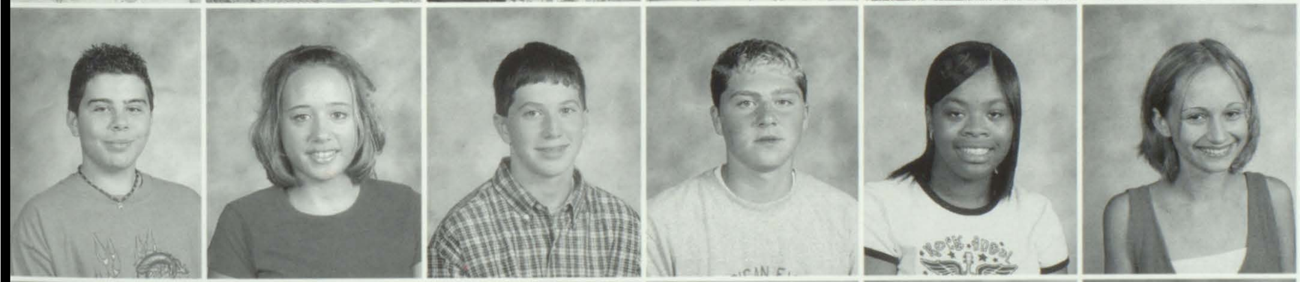

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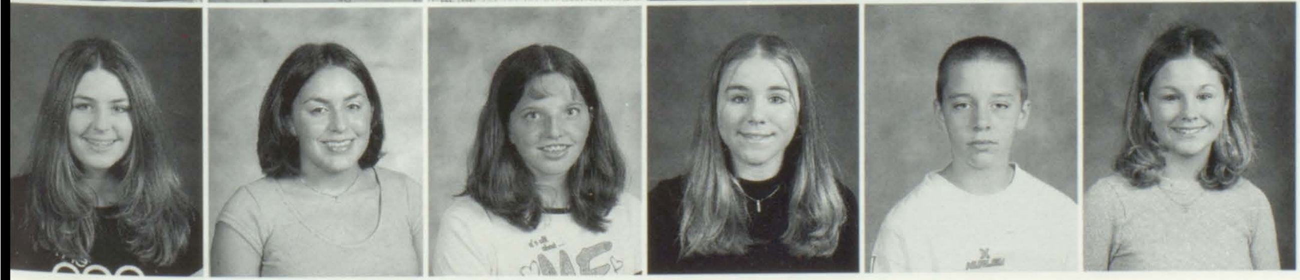

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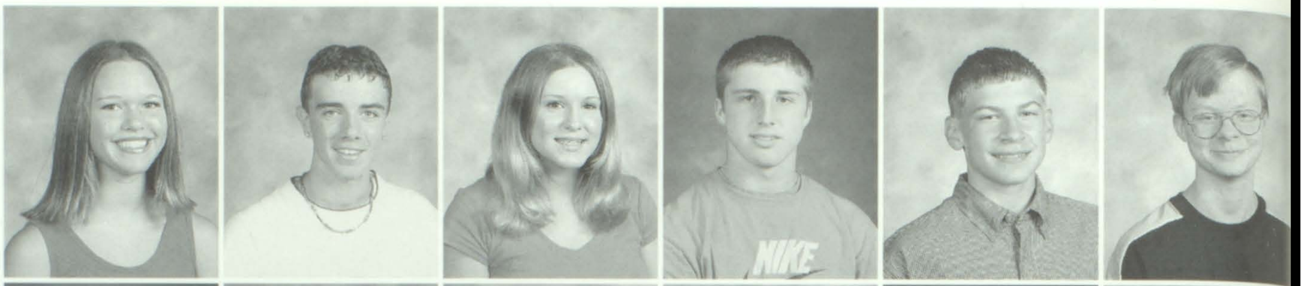

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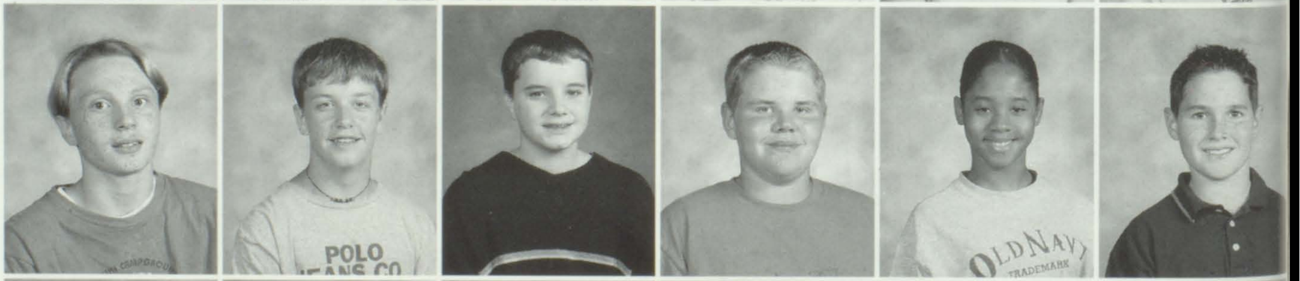

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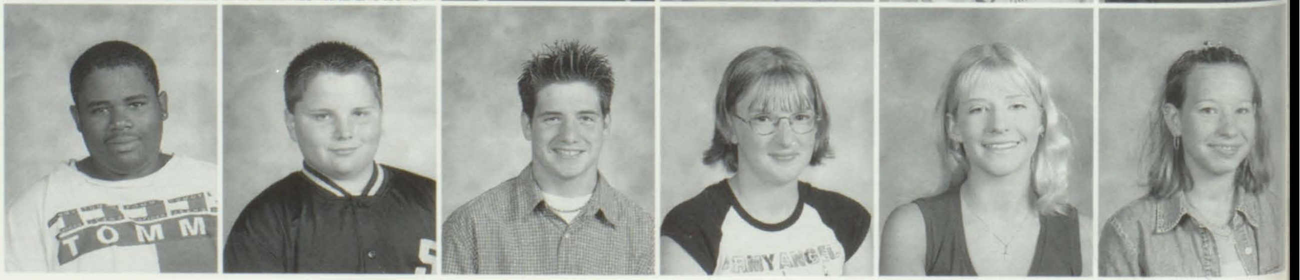

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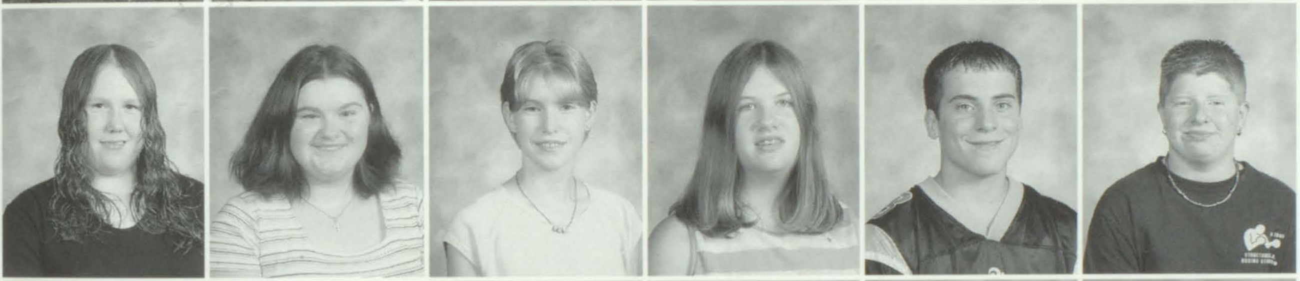

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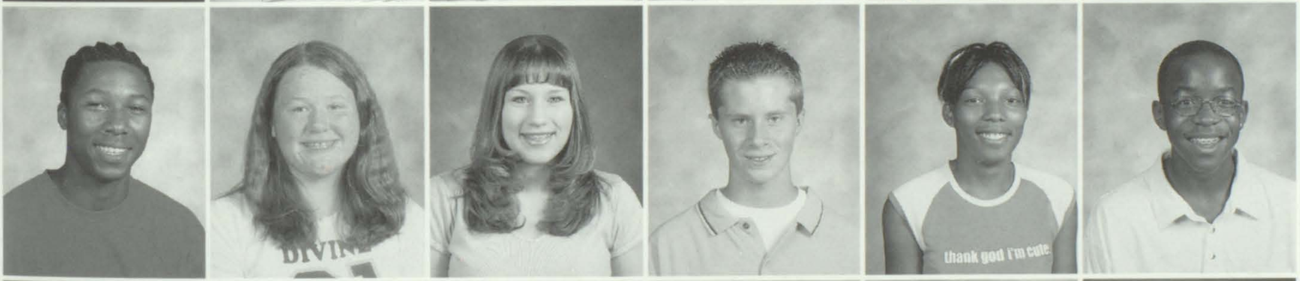

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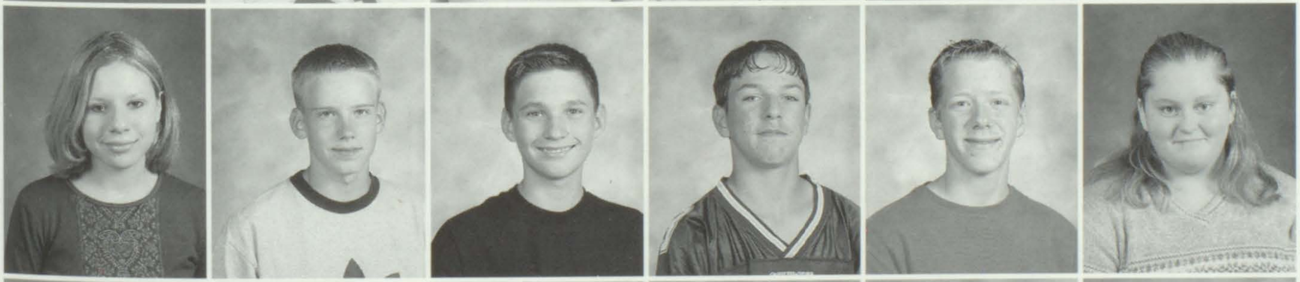

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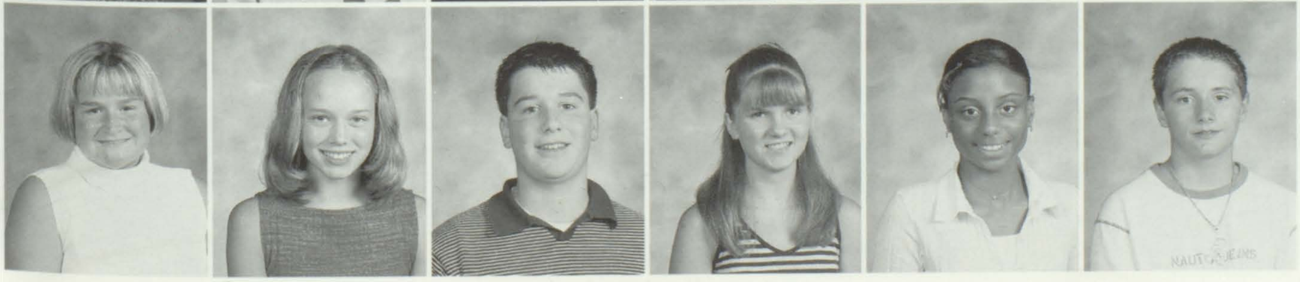

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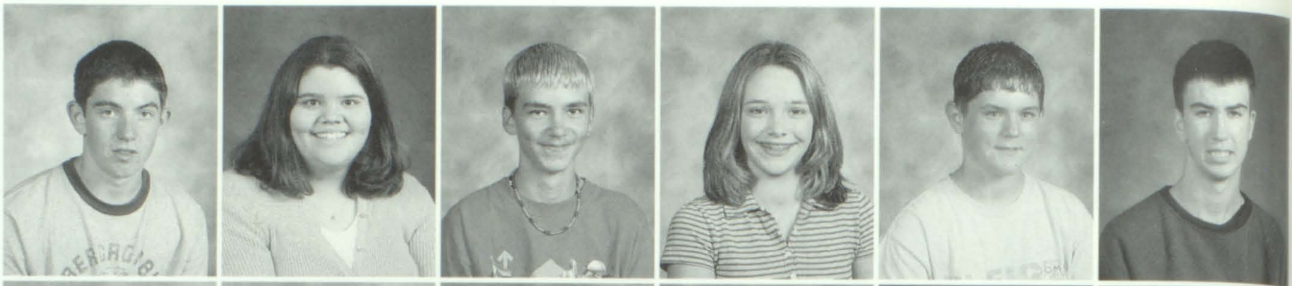

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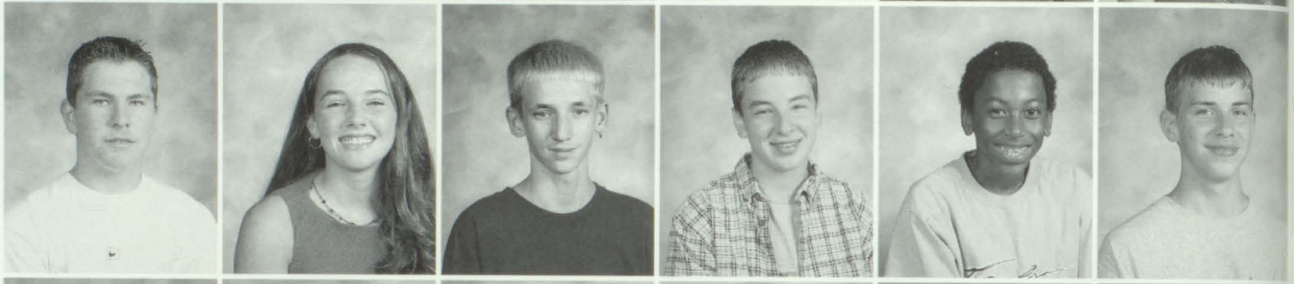

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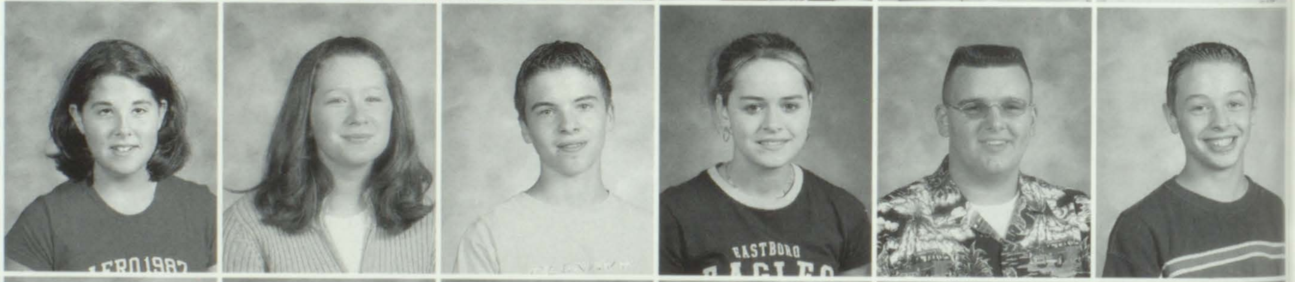

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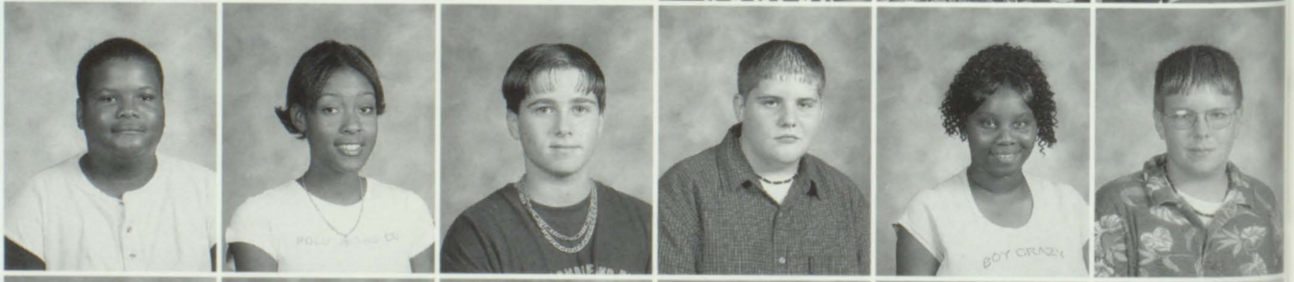

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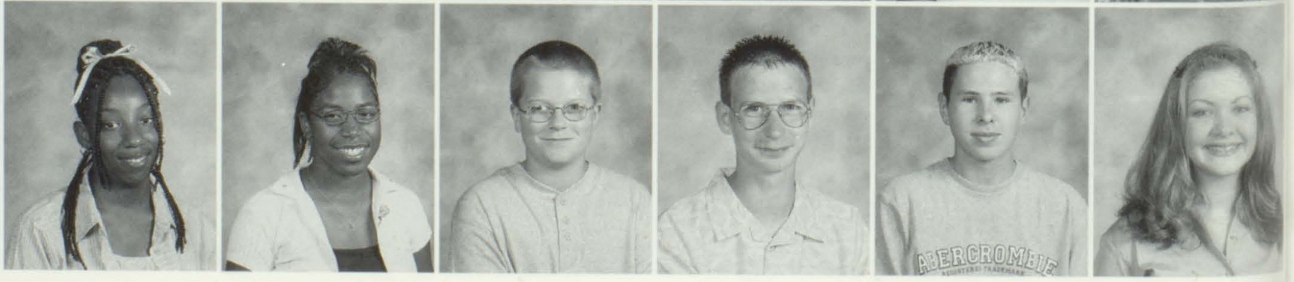

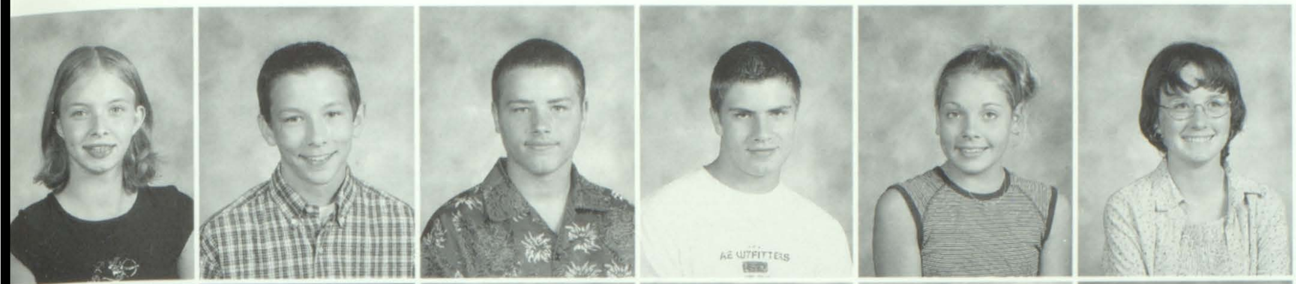

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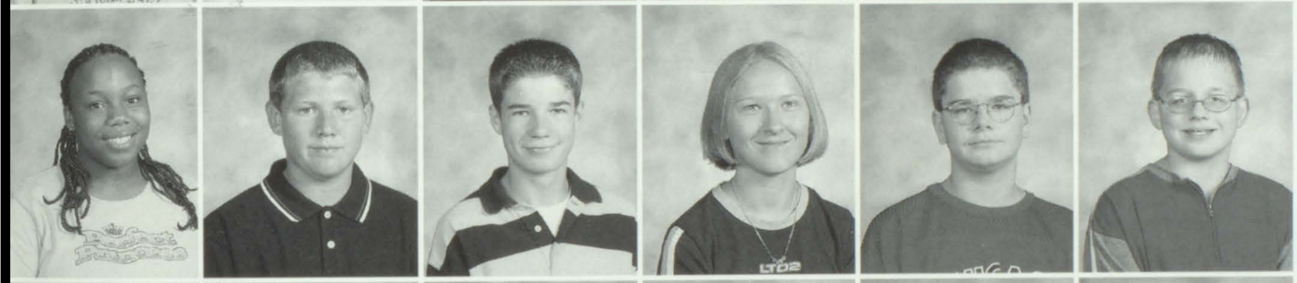

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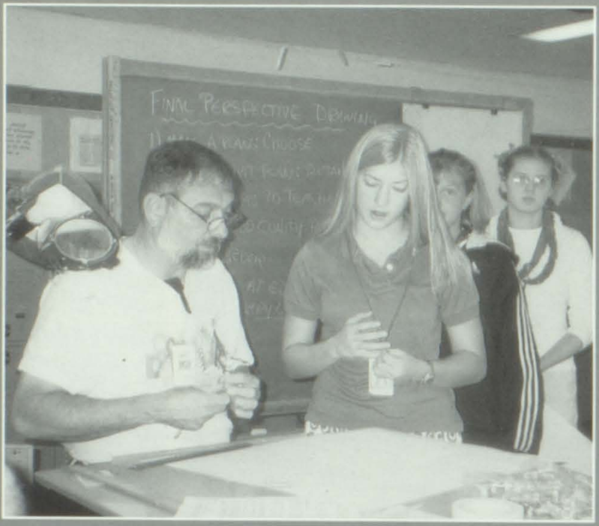
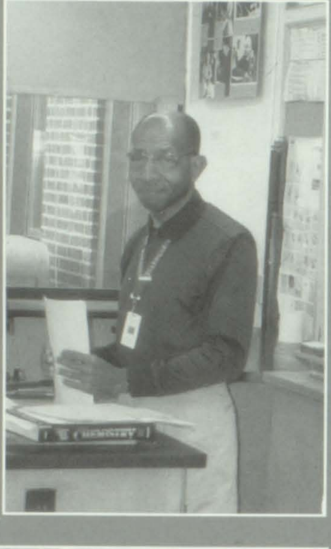
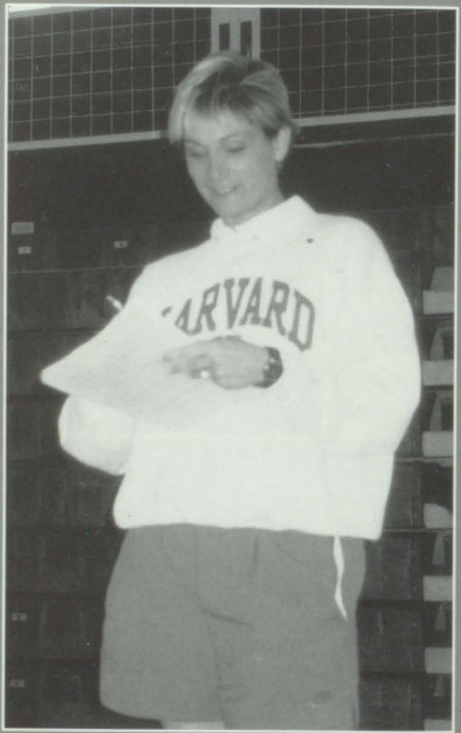
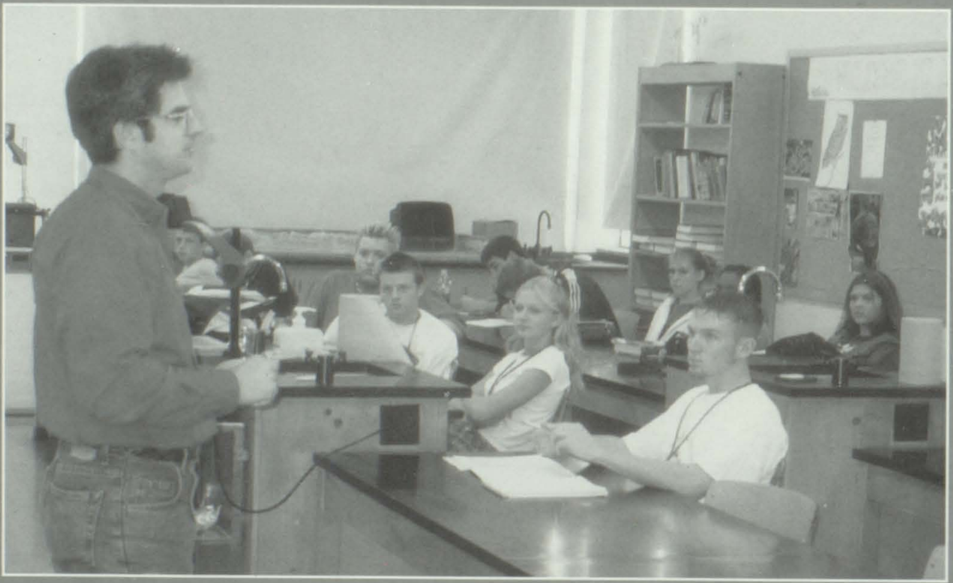
[Clockwise from below] P.E. teacher Ms. Jane Sperry takes attendance in her second hour class. / Individualized Education teachers Mrs. Jennifer McClelland and Mrs. Lisa Quandt arm wrestle during their crucial planning period. The winner must go get the mail for the week. / Photography teacher Ms. Cary Casper helps the school get into a patriotic mood after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. / Biology teacher Mr. Joe Lombardi explains the difference between mitosis and miosis to an eager bunch of juniors. / Art teacher Mr. George Gasparich helps Katie Williams ('03) make finishing touches on her perspective drawing. / Chemistry teacher Mr. James Ivory takes a deep breath in between teaching sections of honors Chemistry.









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Prospective College Students:

WHERE IS YOUR MONEY COMING FROM?

You are preparing to hit the road for college. You have worked up a list of schools that look promising, from academics, to size, to location, to first impressions. You're ready for the college life, but there is one thing missing: the money.

If this is true, you haven't thought about it hard enough. Endless amounts of scholarships lay out there. Thousands of them go untouched every year. One of the most popular websites for students is Colleges.com. It has a search for scholarships for everything you can think of. From GPA rank to daughters of veterans. You name it, and there's probably a scholarship for it. There is even a scholarship for left handed people. There are numerous ones ranging from $50 to $50,000. There is no reason anyone should head to college without a single scholarship. If you head off to college without any idea where the money is coming from, you may find yourself deeply into debt. Even if you have a plan to borrow your way through school, you many still be out of luck.

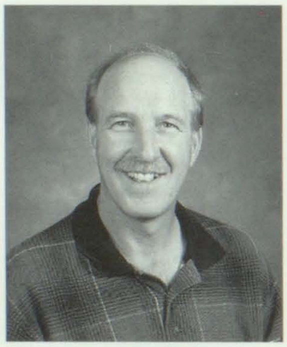
In the year 2000, more than 5 million students borrowed $10 billion for college. An estimated 12,000 American college students under the age of 25 will declare bankruptcy this year. Even among those who say they feel financially prepared, a majority have less than $10,000 in hand. This is at a time when college costs $90,000 and at a public school, more than $40,000.

Though this seems bad, there is some good news. The interest rate on college loans have fallen to their lowest levels in recent memory. And while you might assume that your only choice is to take out a loan, borrowing may not be necessary. You're immediate goal isn't to raise all four years of college costs; it's to get through the first year.

To avoid any surprises, financial experts advise visiting an aid officer periodically through college. Also, keep track of how fast the loan amounts are piling up, and make some post college plans on paying them off.

Experts also say to never carry a credit card at college. They believe that this may be one of the number one reasons for student debt. If you have it, then you charge everything. Studies show that the actual college students credit card balance is $2,748.

Being unprepared and not well planned can be a large problem in college life. The result: Students face financial disaster. The answer: Apply for tons of scholarships and keep track of your money. • *Monica Weilbacher*



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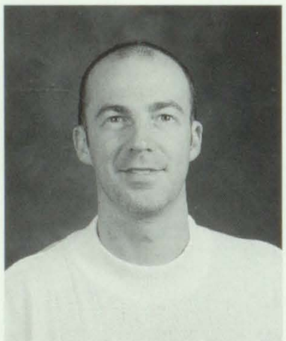

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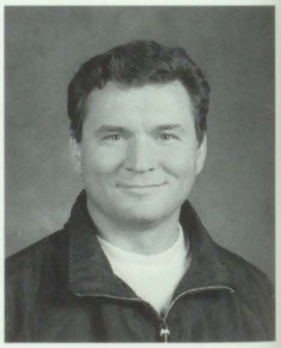

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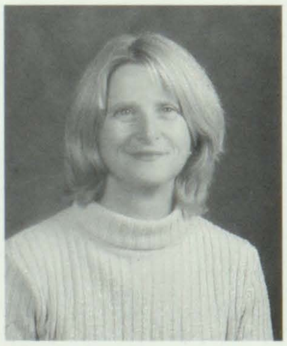

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Santa reaches his destination early

STUDENTS NO LONGER HAVE SEMESTER EXAMS TO WORRY ABOUT OVER WINTER BREAK

This year West students received an early Christmas present. As voted by the school board, final exams were moved to the week before students are released for winter break.

Previously, finals were given a few days after students returned from two-week break. The decision to push exams forward seems to please both students and teachers.

"I like the idea of having finals before break because when we come back we won't have to cram for these huge tests. We can enjoy our break," Katie Kniepkamp ('03) stated.

"It is beneficial to me as a teacher because I do not have to worry about making up exams over Christmas," math teacher Mrs. Amy Wallis remarked.

Whether student or faculty, everyone enjoys the idea of a long, worry-free vacation. This could mark the era of a new tradition at Belleville West in years to come. • *Julie Pickerel*

Did YOU like the new final exam schedule?

YES ! • 92%

NO! • 8%

Results based on a survey of more than 200 West students, all grade levels

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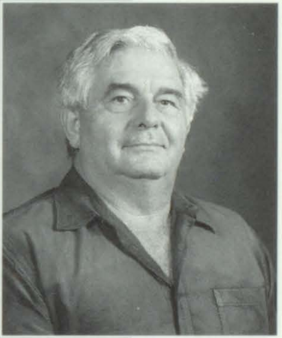

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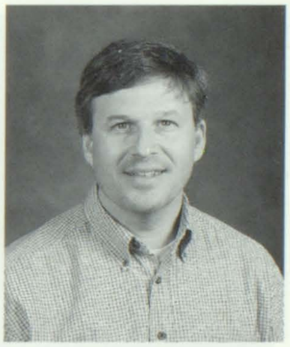

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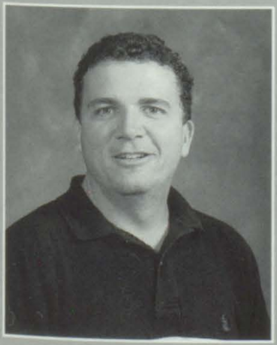

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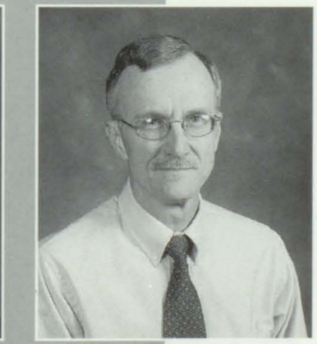

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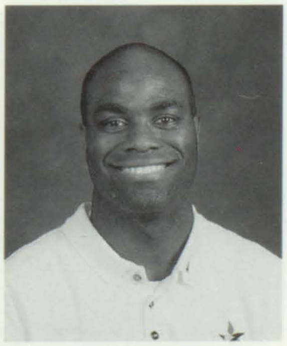

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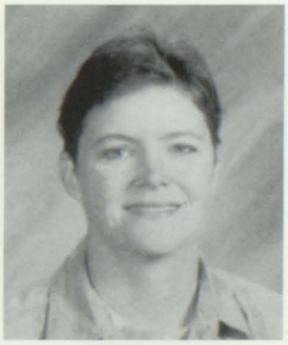

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TOURING *Belleville West from a foriegn perspective ....*

For Many high school students, the mere thought of transferring to a new school can make them shudder with anxiety. This, however is not the case for senior foreign exchange student Andre Silva and junior Hiro Higashi.

Silva came to Belleville West from Brazil in the beginning of the 2001-2002 school year, and quickly assimilated. "I made so many friends so fast," said Silva, "which helped me when I missed my friends in Brazil."

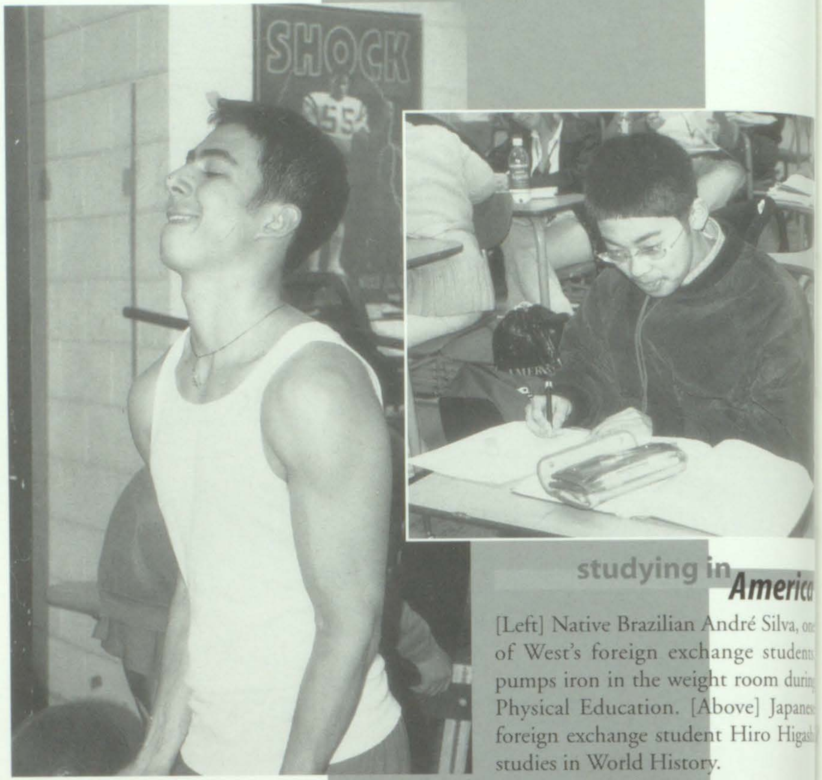
Although Andre made friends with ease, adapting to classes at Belleville West was more of an obstacle. "When I arrived here my English was pretty bad. I couldn't understand anything the teachers said, and my grades were bad." Silva's problems, however, were resolved shortly after moving in with senior Paul Toenjes.

This amazing opportunity to become immersed in an unfamiliar culture was well appreciated by Andre. He enjoyed the snow, cities, and most of all, the girls in America. Andre liked Belleville West as well, which he said was different from a Brazilian school. "In Brazil, students don't change classes-the teachers come to the students. Also, we're allowed to choose to go to school in the morning (7:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.) or in the afternoon (1:00 p.m. to 6:45 pm)

Junior Hiro Higashi comes to West from Nagoya, Japan. Hiro enjoys all of his classes, and he has also noted the difference that students move from class to class during the school day

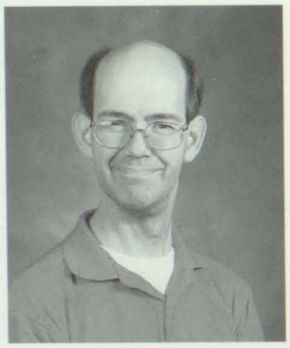
Higashi added, "Everyone in America has been really friendly."

• *Brett Wobbe*



studying in America

[Left] Native Brazilian André Silva, on of West's foreign exchange studen pumps iron in the weight room durin Physical Education. [Above] Japane foreign exchange student Hiro Higas studies in World History.



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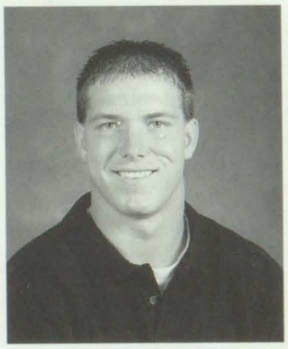

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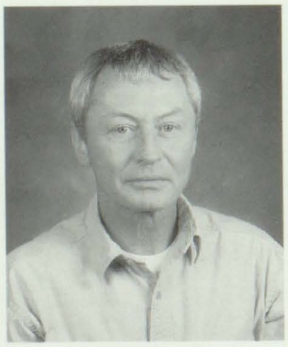

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Taking in the sites

Field trips provide an outdoor classroom

> "It was interesting to see views of politicians, especially ones as radical as Ralph Nader."
>
> • senior Dan Rybicki about the Political Science field trip to McKendree College.

Learning outside of school can offer insight to students that the classroom does not. Mr. Hentze's Political Science class attended a speech by Ralph Nader at McKendree College last fall. It provided a great way for students in the class to further their understanding of politics.

"It was interesting to see views of politicians, especially ones as radical as Ralph Nader," senior Dan Rybicki said about the field trip.

Field Trips are not limited to classes either. Several clubs embark on trips and retreats each year. Hy News, for example, participates in writing competitions held at SIUC and Eastern Illinois University. It is useful way to help staff members brush up on their writing skills.

" The competition at SIUC is really cool. It's different. You witness the journalism industry from a college perspective. It's very special too, because our work is acknowledged through awards," said senior Carlos Greer.

The Thespian Troupe also had the opportunity to see the production of "Proof" at Webster College in St. Louis.

"The show was absolutely amazing. We were able to talk to the actors afterwards and they told us about how they became actors, and what sort of things they do to prepare for the plays that they perform," commented senior Stacy Woehlke.

Field trips have proven to be a beneficial way for students to further their learning. • *Brett Wobbe*

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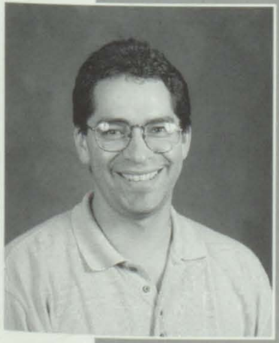
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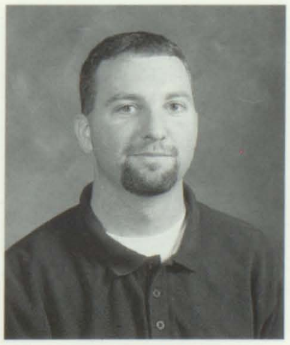
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ACT SAT TESTS!

This year all juniors took the ACT as part of the PSAE assessment in April. Constituting a great deal of many colleges' admission standards, both the ACT and SAT assessments are an important part of several West students' college preparation process.

The SAT assessment is divided into two different tests - the SAT I: Reasoning Test and the SAT II - Subject Tests. The ACT consists of four main parts - English, math, reading comprehension, and science reasoning skills.

The importance of both ACT and SAT test scores when considering acceptance into college has some West students questioning the logic of putting such weight on one day's worth of assessment.

"I don't think it's fair at all that colleges weigh so heavily on ACT and SAT scores when considering admission. Those scores are not really a true measure of student capability," senior Pamela Wright said.

"It's not fair because anyone can have a bad test day. Someone could also just be bad at taking tests, but still be a really smart person," sophomore Erin Kinney said. • *Jon Monteith*

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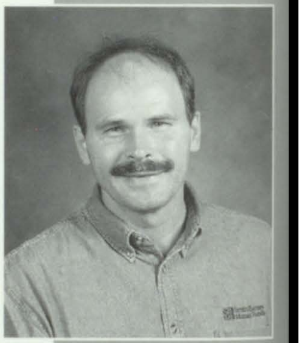

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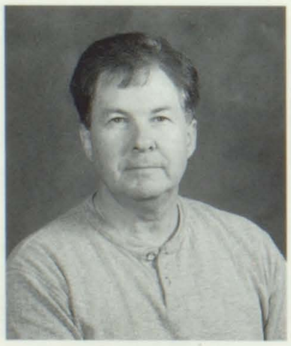

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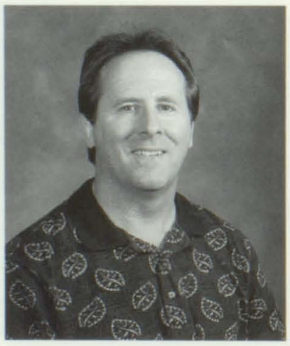

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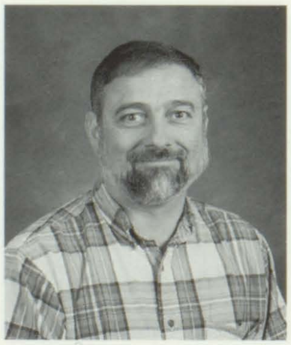

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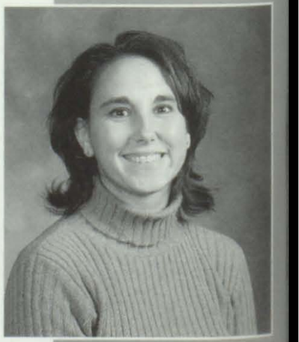

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Advanced Placement
U.S. History provides new challenge

It has occupied an incaluable amount of studying time. Arguments have erupted between students at the simple mention of it. The school newpaper needed an entire page just to cover some of the concerns that it has caused. Due to its presence, the door to the guidance office seldom remained undisturbed for an entire semester.

Could one alteration to the school's social studies program really be the source of such attention? Undoubtedly, it was exactly that for a great deal of the year.

Before the start of the school year, the District 201 Board of Education decided to change the Honors U.S. History course to Advanced Placement U.S. History. The new class is designed to do a more successful job of preparing students for the AP History Test in May, which allows students to earn college credit. This is a significant change from the Honors History course taught in previous years, which was never intended to prepare students for the placement test.

With Mr. Brian Rickey as instructor, AP U.S. History deals with a vast compilation of American History, beginning with early explorations of North America to the present. The course is paced at a college level, while still maintaining the structure essential to a high school curriculum. Class instruction is varied, focusing primarily on class lectures, group projects, and numerous reading assignments.

Throughout the course of the year, several students have dropped the course for various reasons, time availability ranking high among them. However, an equal amount of dedicated students have remained in the class, ready to do what is neccessary in order ro achieve success.

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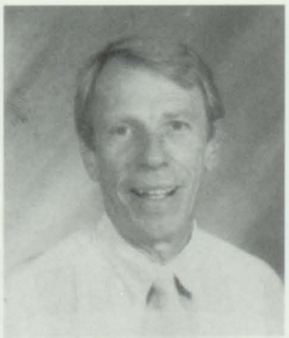

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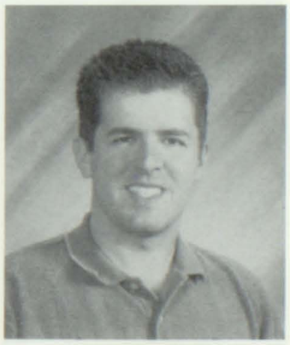

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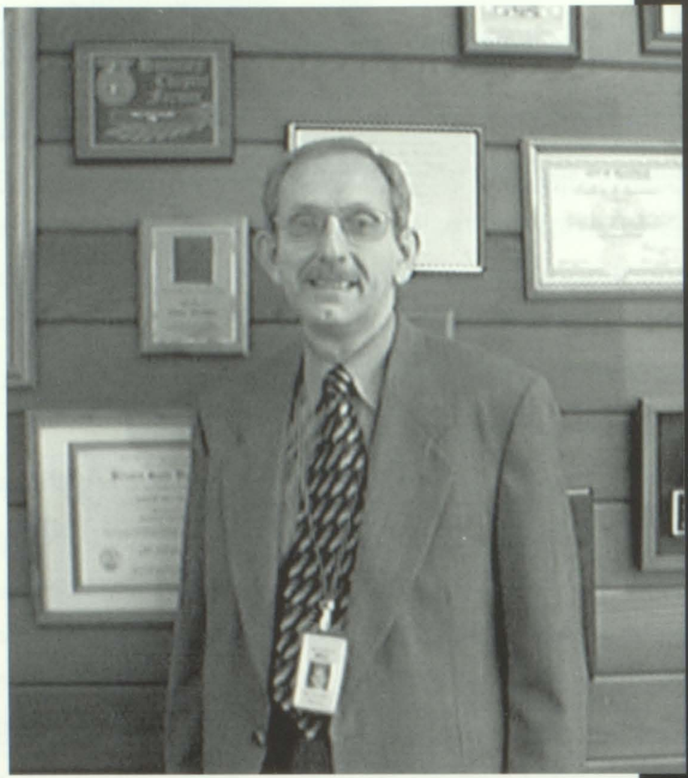

Dr. Philip R. Silsby, PRINCIPAL

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• Dr. Silsby

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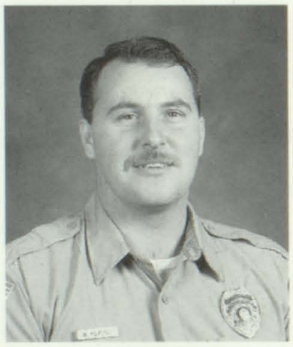

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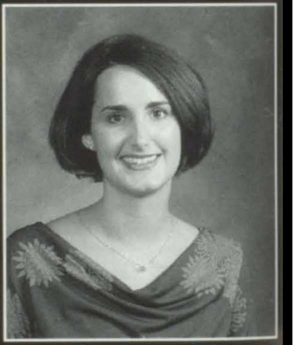

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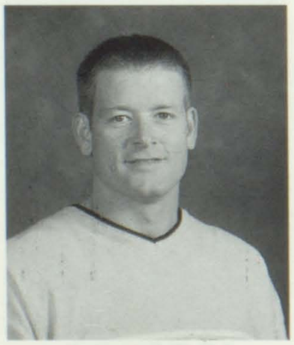

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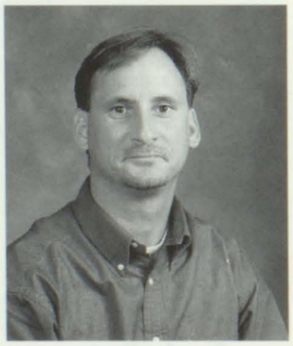

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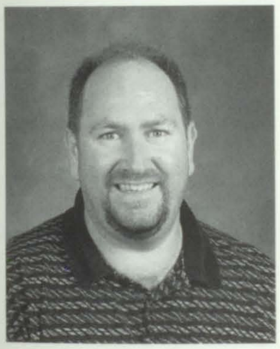

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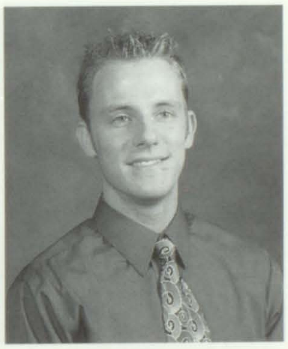

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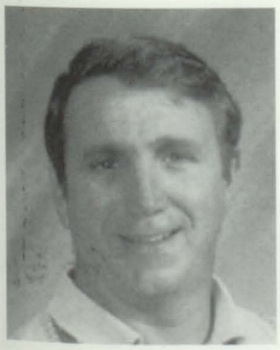

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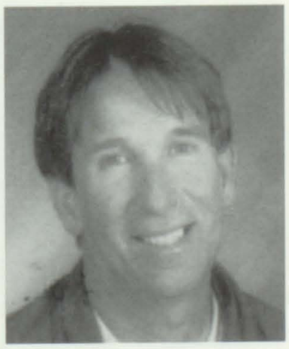

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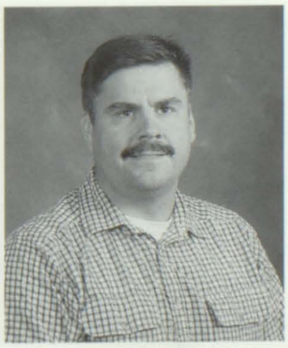

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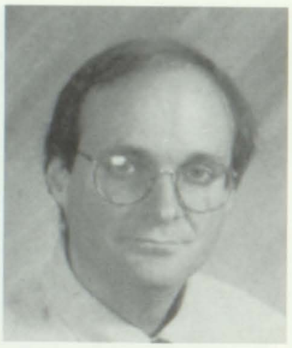

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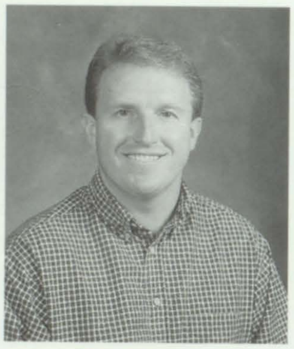

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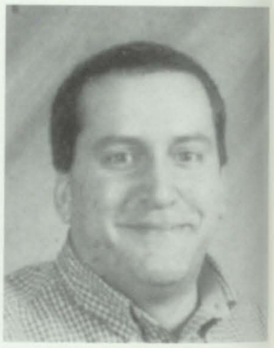

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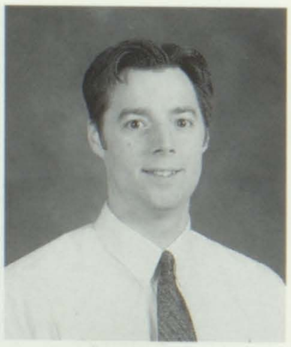

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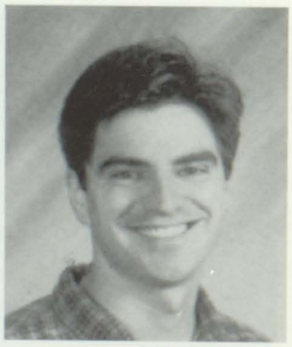

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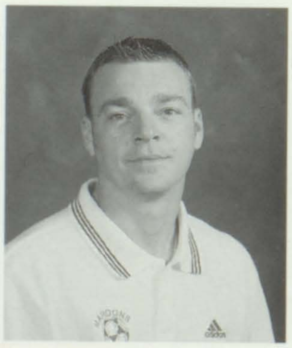

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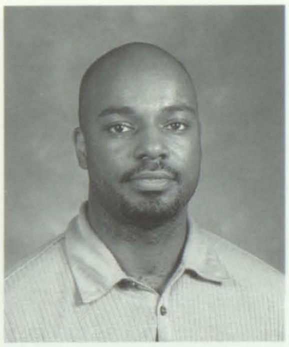

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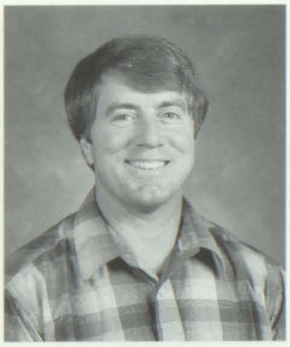

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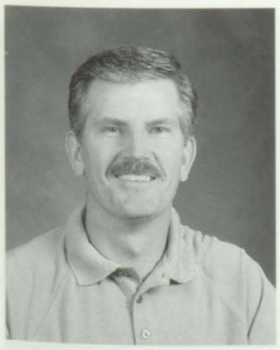

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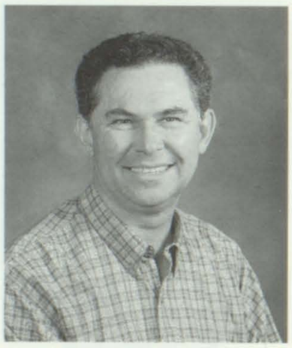

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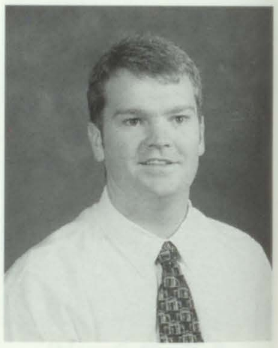

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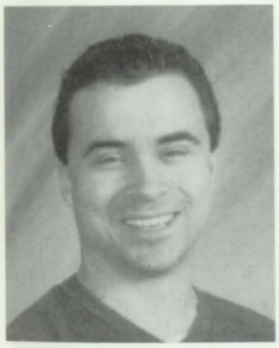

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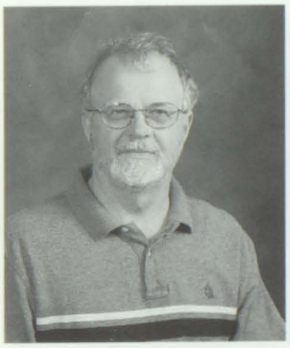

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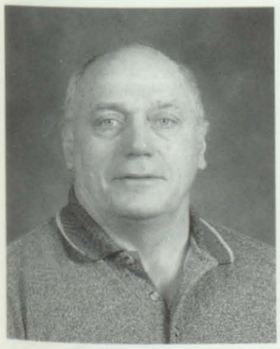

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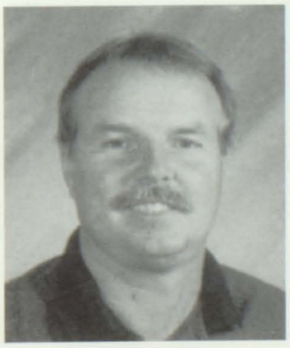

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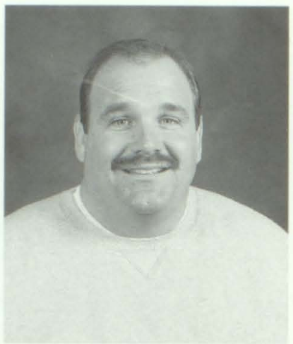
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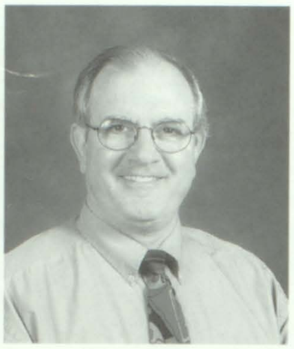
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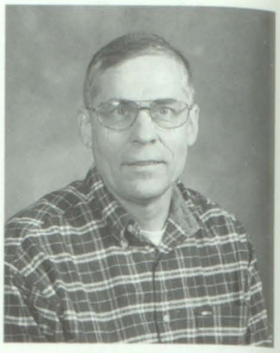
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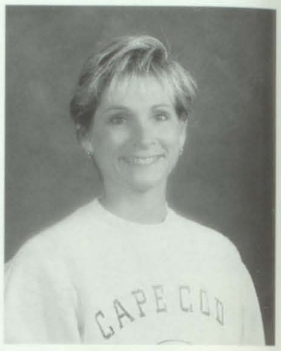
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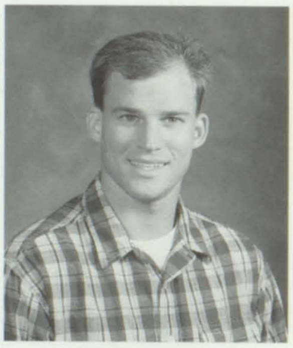
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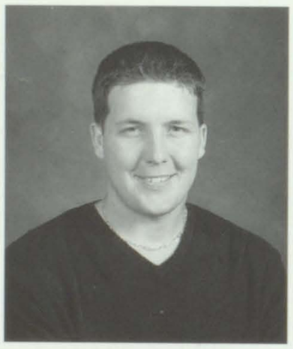
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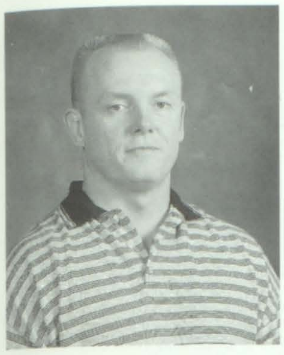
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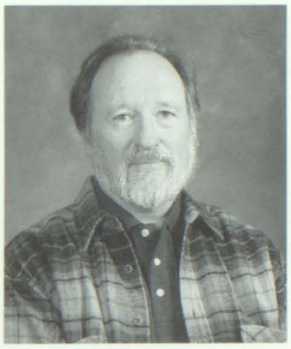
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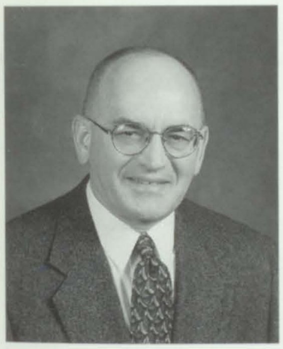
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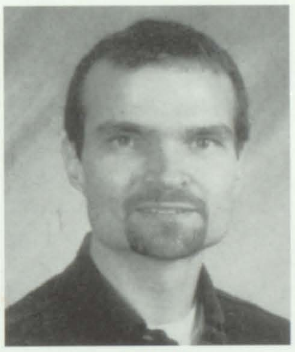
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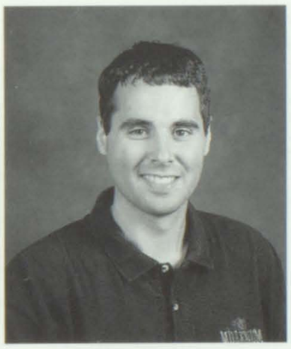
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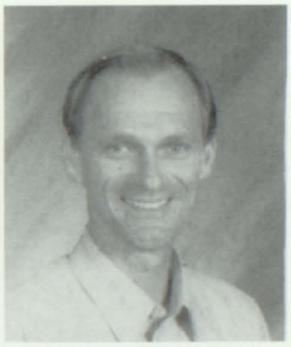
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Robyn Zellmer
Secretary to the Principal

getting *Involved*

[Below] A group of French students celebrate Mardi Gras in the cafeteria after school. The festivities include a dress-up contest, games and inter-class competition. [Right] The *Hy News* creates some interesting, hideous faces for the Jostens photographer on club photo day.

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LITTLE THEATRE

Stop In and See the Show

LITTLE THEATRE/First Row: Vice President Kyle Kratky, Historian Kim Noble, President Ian Randall, Treasurer Briana Kassebaum, Secretary Paul Hackbarth, **Second Row:** Mary Bassler, Ryan Heckman, Katie Graebe, Andrew Kruep, Jessie Mueller, Courtney Harris, Chip Suess, Stacy Woehlke, Katie McManis, Nathan Miller, Jenna Palovick, Cary Callison, Sarah Mallard, Crsiten Chase, Lisa Kadlec, **Third Row:** Monica Metzger,Ashley Knepper, Kaitlin Hauver, Pam Kelly, Michelle Bischoff, Jennah Green, Bob Prescott, Gianna Hacker, Jessica Brown, Sarah Crawford, Stewart Calhoun, Brandon Zollner, Kate Sanders, Heather Carter, Katie Williams, Amanda Parson-Tweston, Erik Dronen, **Fourth Row:** Garret Pelch, Becky Greiman, Erin Conner, Paxton Roger, Brian Behrman, ReKenya Watson, Jamie Hartman, Jessica Carr, Angela Barbeau, Barndy Hitch, Megan Greathouse, Justin Bardy, Kate Lobstein, Stephanie Quante, Jessi Holtz, Jordan Bay, Sarah Dowling, Jamie Dare

THESPIANS/First Row: SecretaryNathan Miller, President Stacy Woehlke, Vice PresidentPam Wright, **Second Row:** Brian Behrman, Heather Carter, Sarah Mallard, Lisa Kadlec, **Third Row:** Justin Brady, Jessica Pautler, Emilie Weilbacher, Stewart Calhoun, **Fourth Row:** Kim Noble, Katie Hubert, Cole Davis, Ian Randall

a family Drama

[Left] As Joe Keller, Kyle Kratky('02) explains his history to his son Chris Keller, played by Brian Wild ('02). This year *All My Sons* was chosen as the fall play.

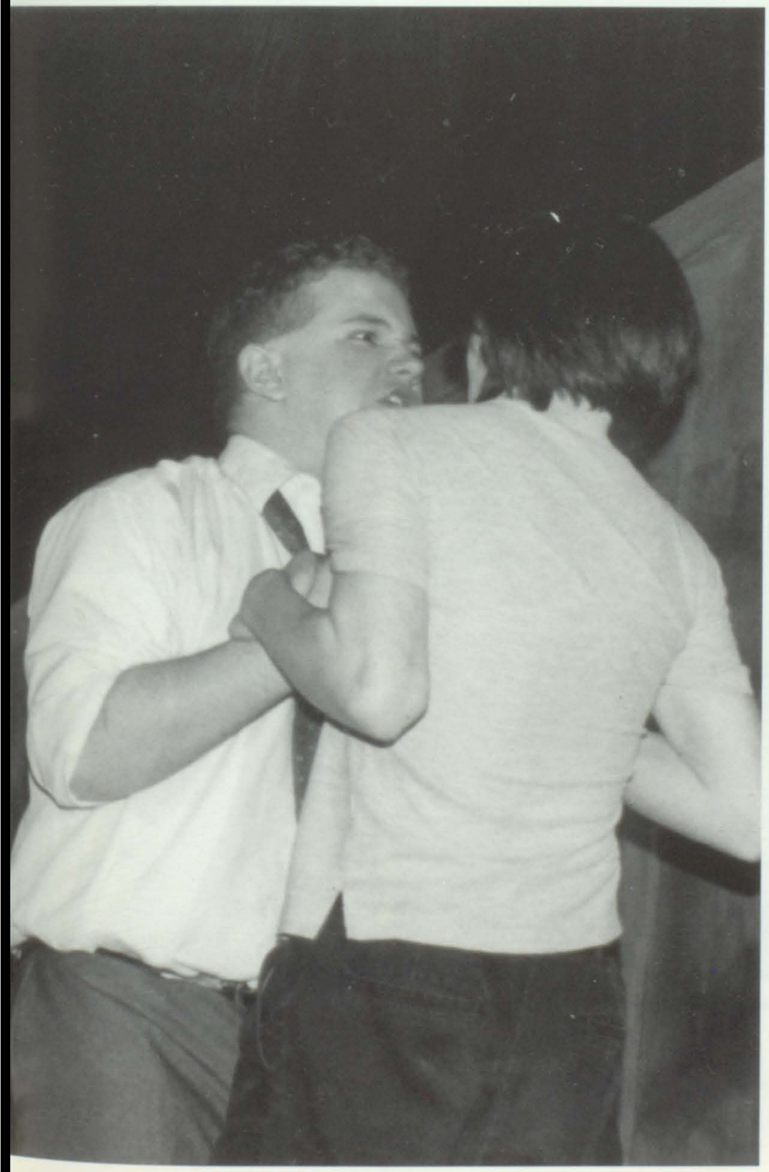
don't marry Him

[Right] Sarah Schuessler ('04) played Anne Deever in the fall play this year. Matt Heckman ('02) played her brother George who tries to discourage her from marrying Chris [Brian Wild ('02)].

An Imaginary Dance of the Fragments takes 2nd at Sectionals

piecing the Fragments

[Left] *An Imaginary Dance of the Fragments* revolves around three pairs of characters who never interact. Yet as the play progresses, each of their stories begin to intertwine. Brian Wild ('02) plays X. He is a human bomb who is counting down to extinction. He is paired with Erik Dronen ('04), Fireman, who is trying to diffuse the situation.



i remember You

[Left] The third pair, Kyle Kratky ('02), Suitcase Guy, and Jordan Bay ('04), Train Fellow, are drawn together because of a terrible accident involving Suitcase Guy's wife (waiting). Tensions build when the two men meet ten years after the accident in a psychiatrist's office.

in the Afterlife

[Above] Matt Heckman ('02) and Kasey Bersett ('03) play arriving and waiting. The most abstract of the three scenes, these two soulmates meet in the afterlife.

FACULTY PLAY

Mapping the Stars

George Washington Slept Here

Shakespeare once said that all the world's a stage, and West's faculty proved that to be true when they performed *George Washington Slept Here.* Ms. Laurie Bielong and Mr. John Lodle directed the first faculty play in six years.

"We were looking for a fun family comedy with a larger cast. Kaufman and Hart comedies tend to use a lot of situational humor which are fun to act in and watch," Ms. Bielong said.

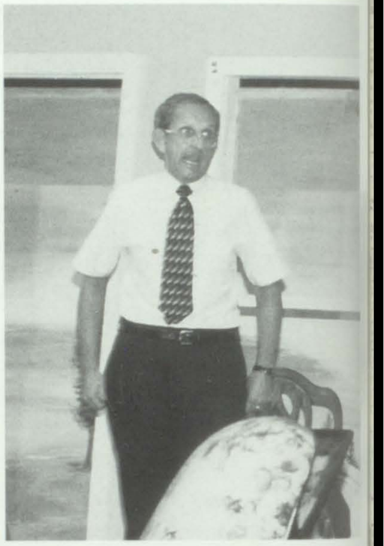
The play is about Newton Fuller (Dr. George Shea), who looks at a run down farmhouse that George Washington supposedly slept in. Despite his wife's (Ms. Jennifer Sage) protests, Fuller decides to buy the house. Everything possible goes wrong as the couple tries to renovate the house.

The cast spent three days in June rehearsing and twelve days in August. The set was built the last week of July. Many theatre students also helped out to make the play a success. For the show's logo, former West graduate, David Carr mimicked the famous painting of Washington crossing the Delaware River. He then did a caricature of the faculty to fit their characters.

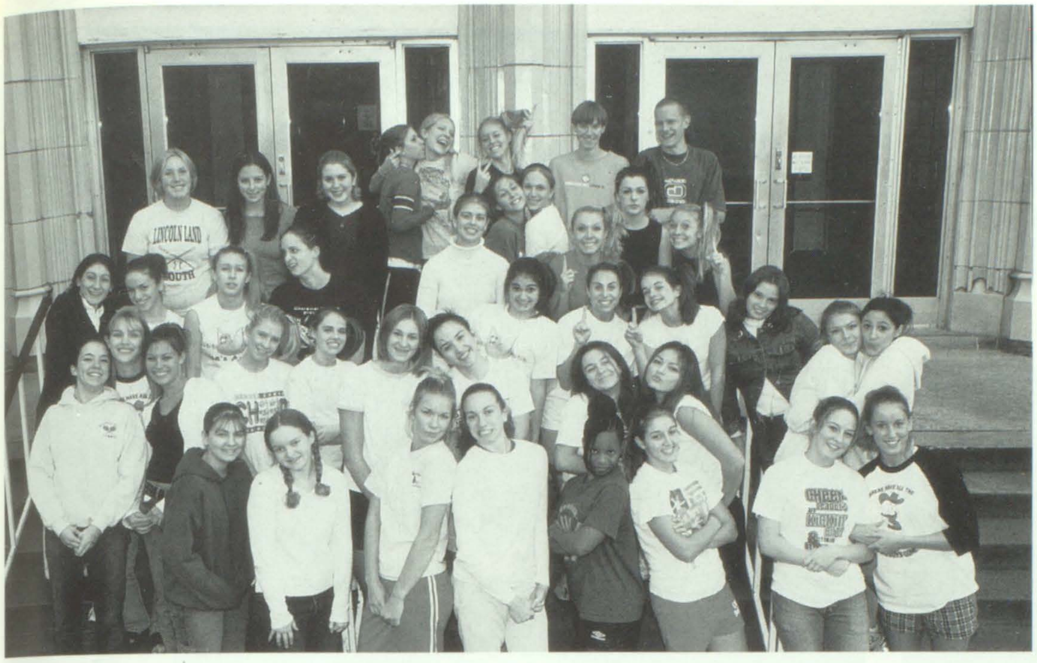
"I like it and it's fun because you get to work with and see your colleagues in a totally different way. It brings us together and makes us a little more like a family," Dr. George Shea said.

"It was a fun production, and we used it a fund-raiser for the theatre department. We have so many talented people here at West!" Ms. Bielong said. • *Sarah Schuessler*

Clockwise from left to right: Mrs. Douglas (Ms. Janet Kuehn) is greeting her new neighbor, Annabelle Fuller (Ms. Jennifer Sage)with a bouquet of flowers; Dr. Phillip Silsby (Mr. Prescott) tells the family exactly what he thinks of their moving on to "his" land; Newton Fuller (Dr. George Shea) and Mrs. Fuller play hostess to Uncle Stanley (Glenn Philpott) while they except his gracious gift of a self portrait; the maid (Ms. Cyndi Oberle) tries to get off early in order to meet her boyfriend before he gets married; Steve (Mr. Nick Johnson) helps his girlfriends's parents by setting up the t.v. only to find there is no reception



PEP Club



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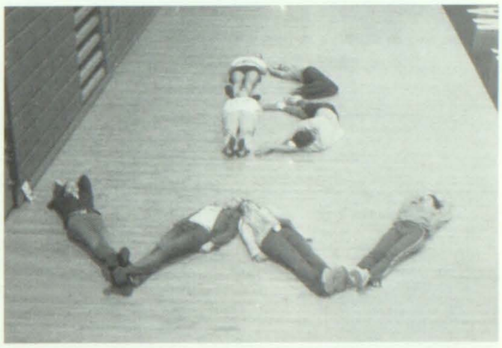

go maroons *Go*

[Directly Above] Students spell out their school pride. [Above] Fans show support through wearing school colors, face paint and yelling rude comments at the referees.

let's get fired *Up*

[Above] While Varsity cheerleaders work the stadium sidelines, the JV cheerleaders help to keep the fans motivated in the stands. They get their chance to lead the cheers at all the JV games.

Yeah
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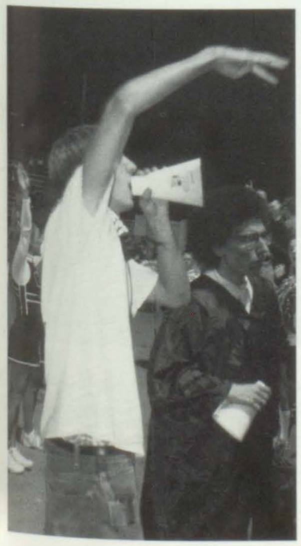
Go Team!



just wanna have *fun*

[Right] Showing that girl's aren't the only ones who know how to cheer, Guillermo Davis ('02), Dan Pietroburgo ('03), Jake Holtgrewe ('02), Robbie Kaiser ('03), Josh Luecking ('02) and Scott Poole ('02) proudly show their loyalty and school spirit at a dance team competition at Althoff.

give me a *"W"*

[Left] Scott Poole ('02) jumps down from the stands and helps the cheerleaders lead the football team to victory.

refurbishing the *Cafe*

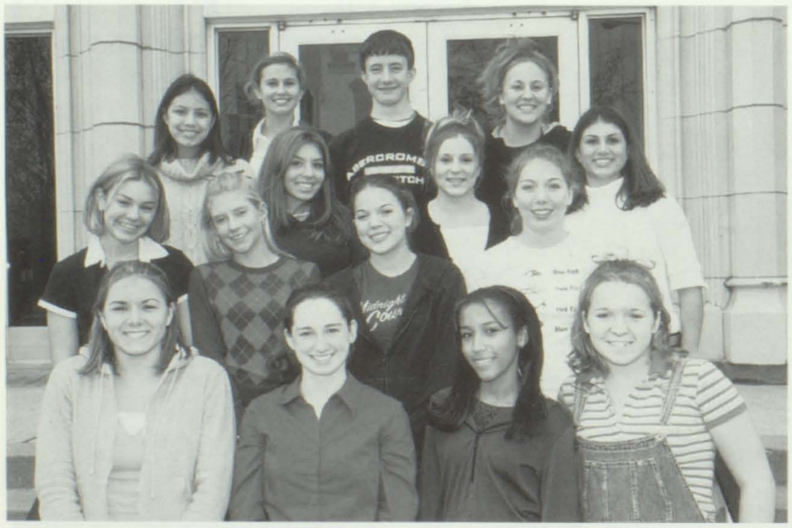
[Below] While toying ith decorating ideas for the Winter Dance, Ann Toler, ('04) and Lauren Roney, ('02) realize that it requires a lot of hard and planning.

on top of it *All*

[Right] As President, Molly Mernick ('02) directs meetings every Wednesday and Friday morning. Jackie Morrison, ('02) corresponding secertary and Sara Nicholson, ('02) take minutes at the meeting.

adding artistic *Flair*

[Left] Attempting to create a ne atmosphere in the cafeteria, Lindse Irwin, ('02) and Cassie Kabulsk ('05 cut paper for the floor for the Winte Dance



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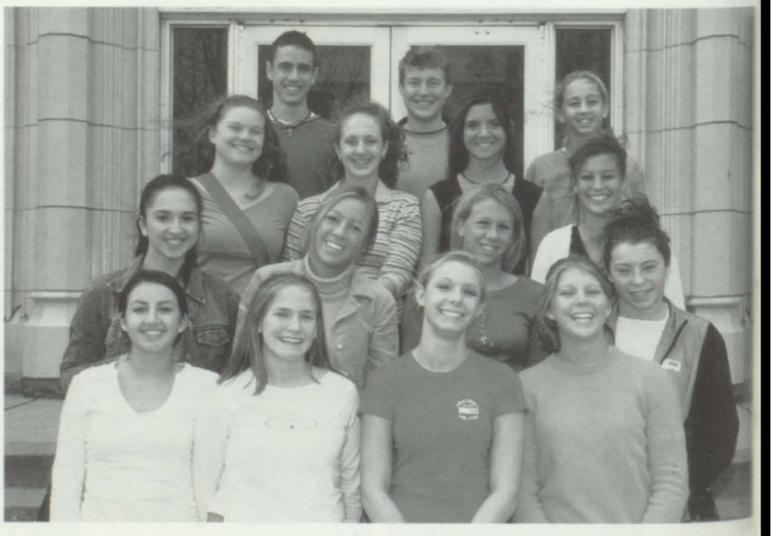


SOPHOMORE STUDENT COUNCIL/Front Row: Laura Tiernan, Aly Habermeh Whitney Merz, Vice President Elise Hassall, **Second Row:** Melissa Jobin, Secertary Moni Weilbacher, Stephanie Wolf, Amanda Brown, **Third Row:** Ann Toler, President Sar Dowling, Brittany Wrubel, Cecilia Moderalli, **Fourth Row:** Jarrod Aaron, Erik Drone Treasurer Mari Castello

STUDENT COUNCIL

Representing the Locals

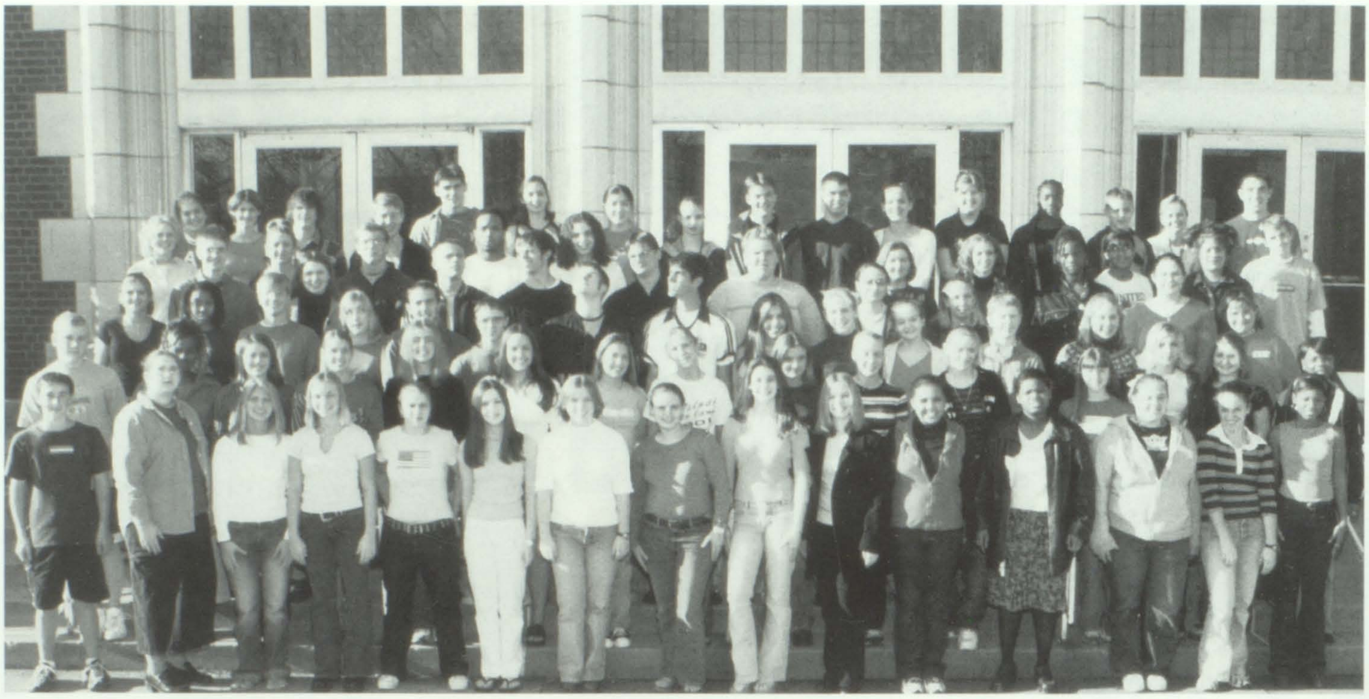
STUDENT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE OFFICERS/Front Row: Jenny Mueth, Sara Nicholson, Caeli Kilhoffer, Courtney Tiemann, **Second Row:** Jackie Morrison, Sponsor Mrs. Betty Mueller, Molly Mernick, Ryan Frank

learning the *Ropes*

The freshmen student council representatives partake in weekly meetings and learn more about West student council.

JUNIOR STUDENT COUNCIL/Front Row: President Hannah Shea, Treasurer Jill Wolfmeier, President Dan Pietroburgo, Secertary Suzy Fitzgerald **Second Row:** Katie Ludgate, Amy Webster, Caeli Kilhoffer, Mark Young, Kristin Keel, Lauren Watkins, **Third Row:** Meghan Kramp, Elena Rodriguez, Kyle Dohrman, Lindsey Mueth, Joey Rodriguez

SENIOR STUDENT COUNCIL/Front Row: President Lauren Roney, Vice President Brian Behrmann, Lisa Bieri, Courtney Tiemann **Second Row:** Nina Ghatan , Sara Nicholson, Lindsey Irwin, **Third Row:** Heather Carter, Anna Carson, Molly Mernick, Julie O'Donnell,, **Fourth Row:** Jenny Mueth, Jackie Morrison, Secretary Todd David, Ryan Frank



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VOLUNTEER WEST

Why do you enjoy voluteering your time?

" Volunteering is an easy and productive way to fill my time."
• *Meghan Zahn* ('05)

" I help out my teachers. I am a very helpful person."
• *Quinosha Sheard* ('04)

" Volunteering fufills me. I am giving back to the community."
• *Matt Dahm* ('03)

" I tutor spanish students because I like helping others."
• *Megan Lowe* ('02)

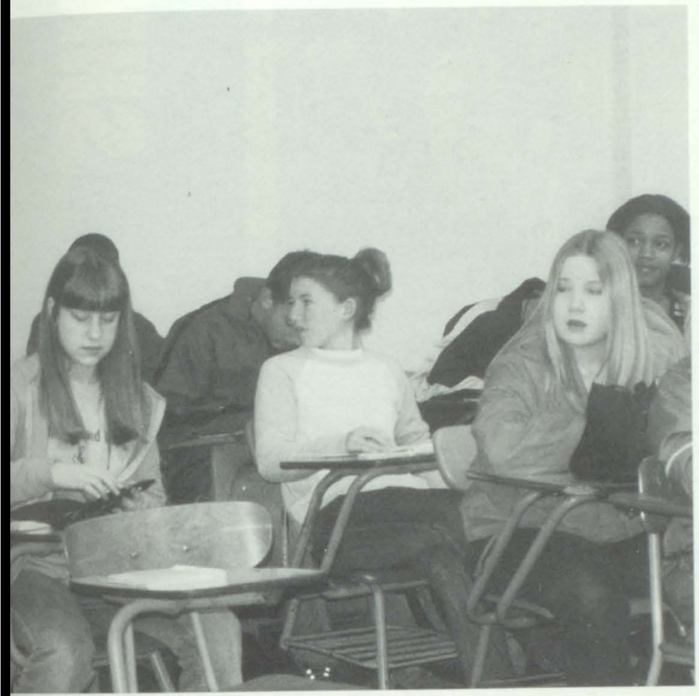
LIFESAVERS

pay Attention

[Below left] At a monthly meeting, members discuss Clean Up Belleville. This is just one of the many activities lifesavers volunteers for.

ready for Retreats

[Below] Members listen as the group discusses the four retreats that are offered each year. These retreats provide freshman with a way to really get involved.



let's get Going

[Right] Ms. Chalmers conducts the meeting. Ms. Smith also sponsors Lifesavers.

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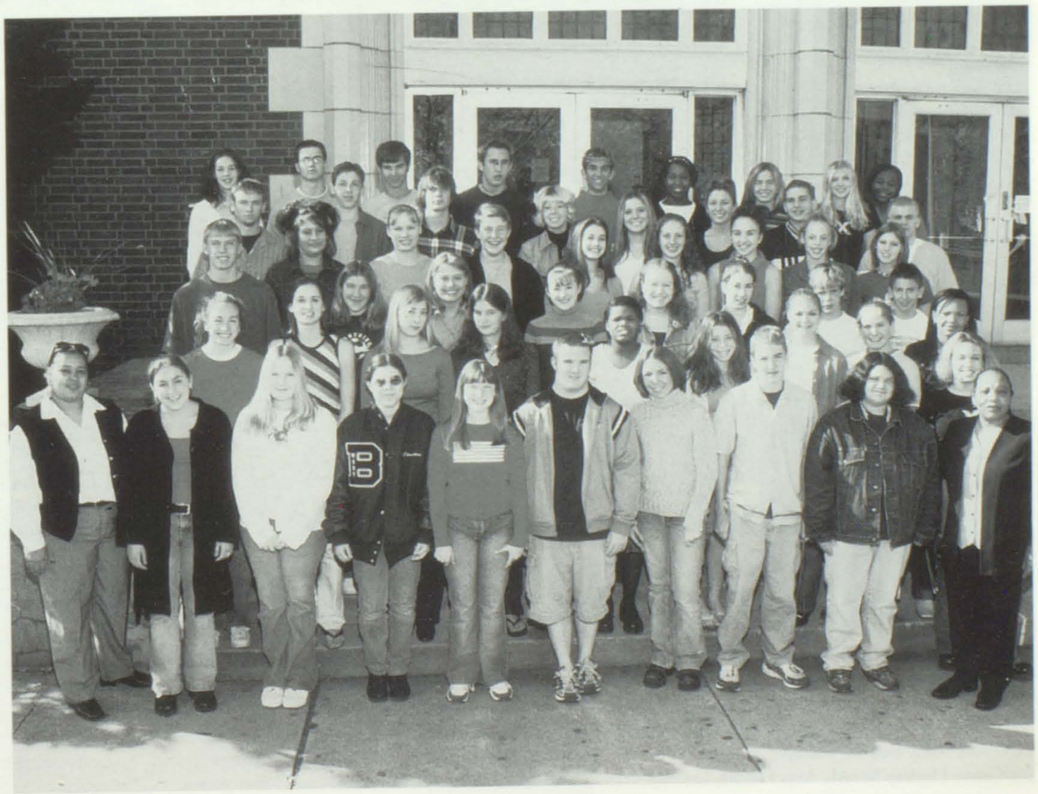

Senior NHS

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Junior NHS

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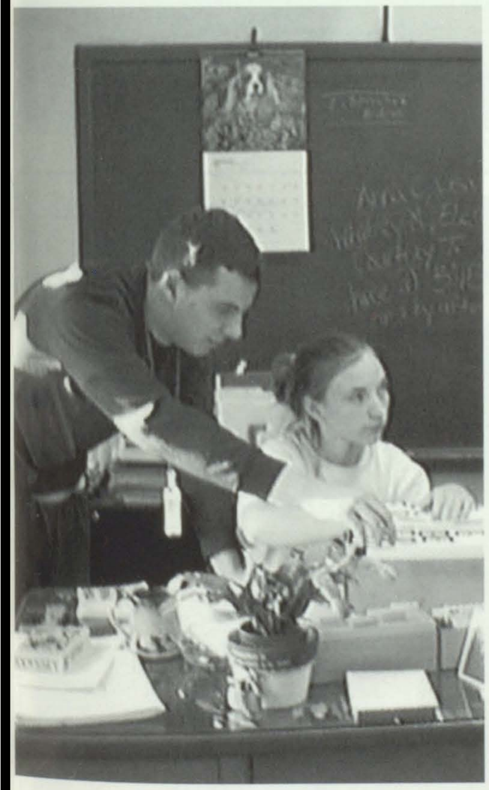
a guide to ... the Cream of the Crop

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

facing Reality

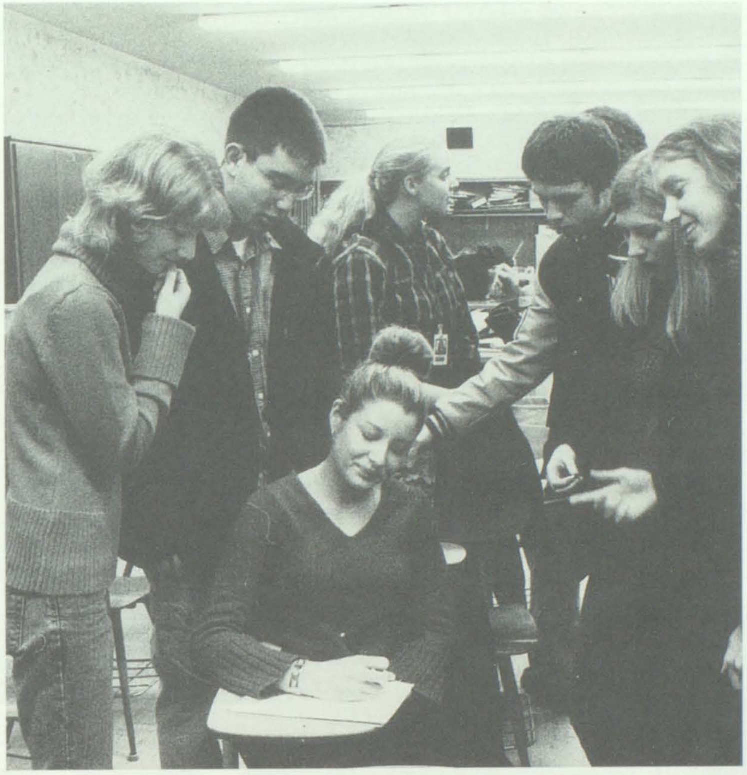
[Below] "Through NHS, while working at a camp for disabled children and a violence prevention center, I've really seen the world through the eyes of other people," Lindsay Irwin ('02) said.

[Below] Ryan Frank ('02) and Lauren Roney ('02) work together to finish a project.



adopting an Angel

[Right] Matt Dahm ('03) and Max Harres ('03) sign up to work over their lunch hours for the Adopt an Angel Project.

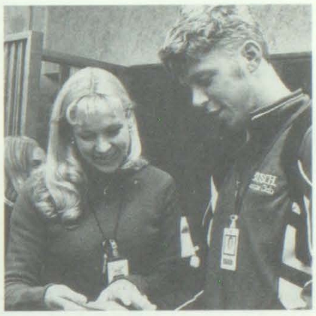


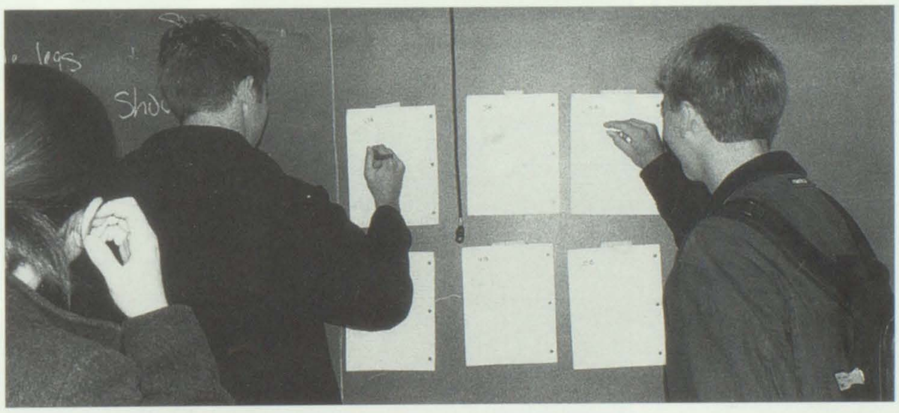
counting the Minutes

[Left] Gathering after a meeting, junior NHS members tally their volunteer hours.

checking it Twice

[Below] Joe Gross ('03) checks with sponsor Ms. Steinkuehler to discuss his volunteer hours.





playing dress Up

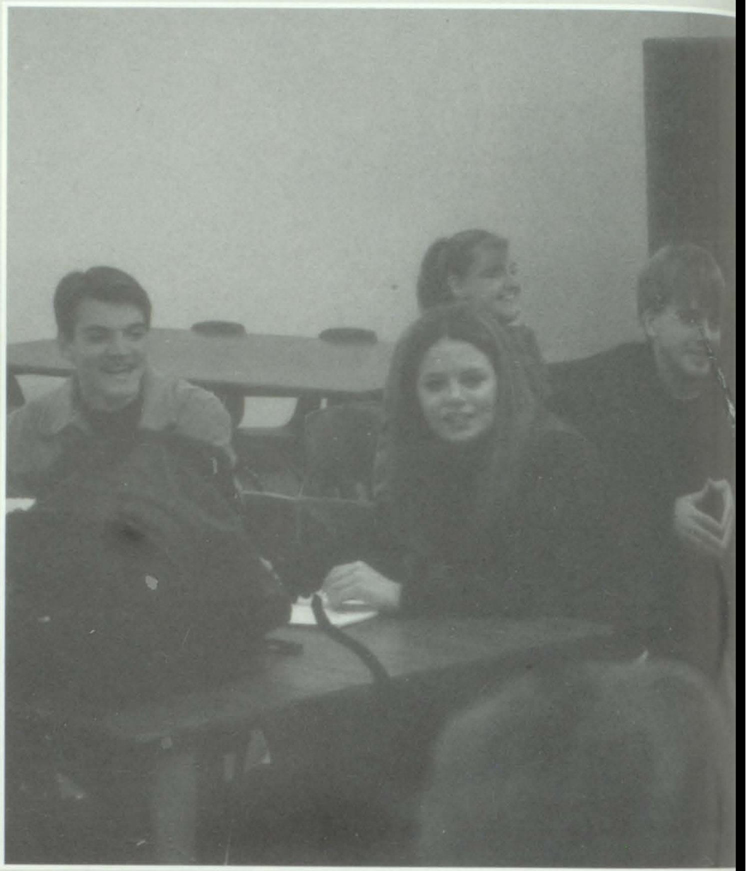
[Left] Ian Randall ('02) and Joey Rodriguez ('03) share their heavenly smiles as they volunteer at the Shrine Our Lady of the Snows.

sharing the *Wealth*

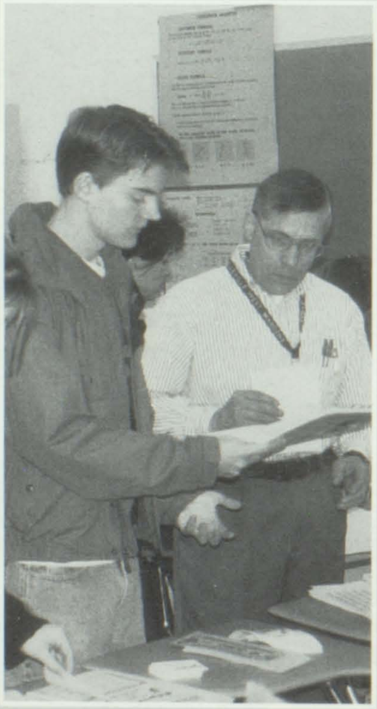
[Left] Renaissance member Lindsay Irwin ('02) helps distribute Maroon, Gold and Silver cards during lunch hours. T-shirts and folders containing coupons are also passed out..

getting it *Do*

[Below] Members of committee mee first Monday of each month. Their priority is promoting academic excell

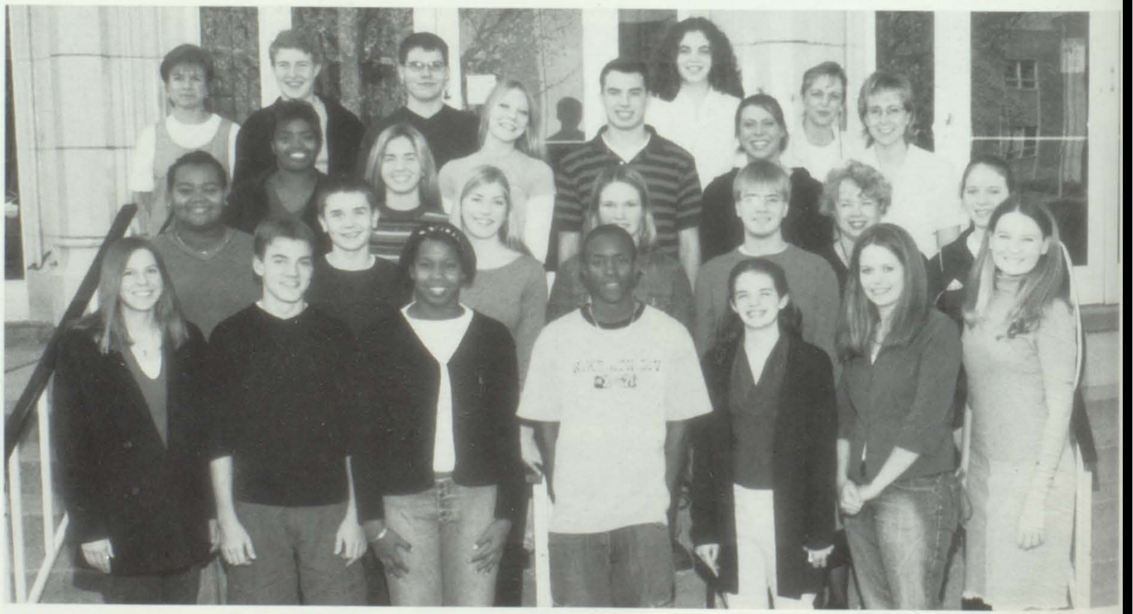


RENAISSANCE COMMITTEE



keeping it *Together*

[Left] Faculty Renisannce member Mr. Gary Shepek and Brandon Zollner ('02) stuffed folders for lucky recipients.



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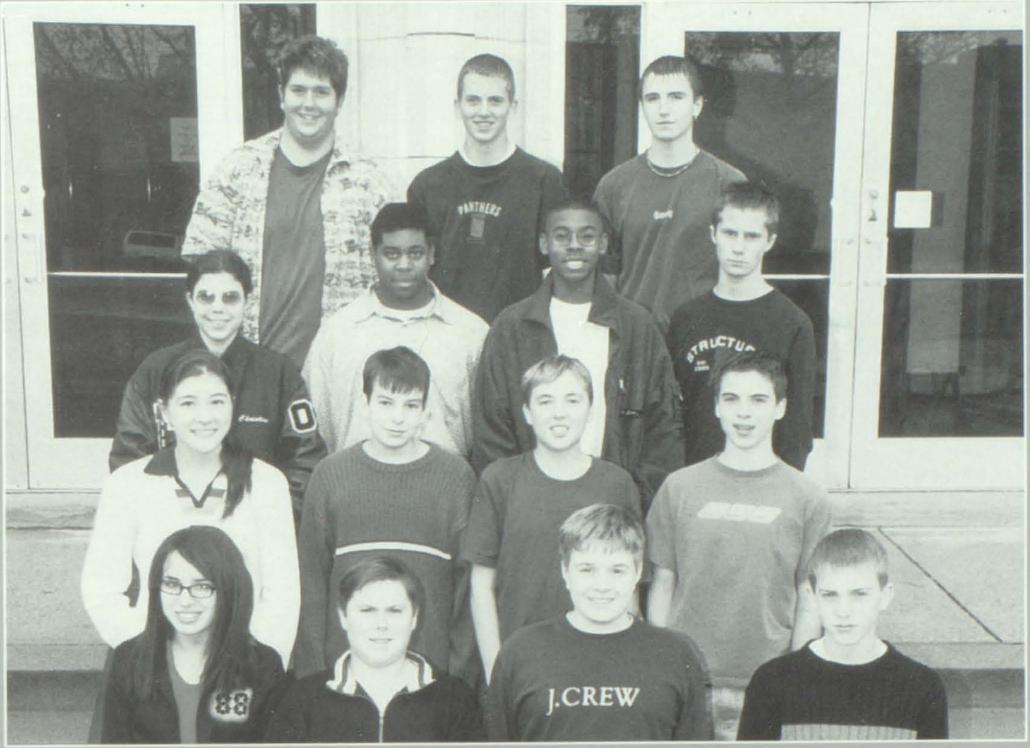
CHESS TEAM/Front Row: Jeantielle Gonzales, Joe Giglotto, Adam Becherer, Kyle Dent, **Second Row:** Angela Banks, Bryan Schauerte, Steven Heizer, Jon Vollmer, **Third Row:** Christine Lukie, Mike Smith, Mark Wright, Jimmy Smallwood, **Fourth** Row: Tony Melching, James Sperry, Jason Theis



Chess Club

Debate Team

DEBATE CLUB/Front Row: Joe Mefford, Tim Gerhart, Daniel Hardwick, Ashley Dunning, Melissa Ganley, **Second Row:** Katie Hughes, Tyler Schmidt, Shawn Stupmh, Tim McCough, Jonathon Walden, Vonnie Hannon, **Third Row:** Marketa Reimann, Dallas Cook, Dan Hankley, Adam Kuester, Sharee Rice, Fourth Row: Mark Wonnacott, Steven Luftus, Ted Deets, Jeff Jones, John Norris, Brian Nichols

Speech Team

Attracts more people every year

West's speech and acting team had a turn around year in 2002. Coach Mr. Adam Jenkins lead the team to many new successes.

"The team went from about five members by the end of the season, to about twenty-five members. I didn't expect the team to grow this fast, and I'm hoping it will be even larger next year," Mr. Jenkins said.

Mr. Jenkins won the coach of the year award for the Egyptian Forensics League. "EFL" is the league of all tournaments that Belleville West competes in.

Last year Speech team was composed of 15 students at the beginning of the season. This year, the team almost doubled with 26 members to start the season.

"Not only have we grown in numbers, but we have also grown in experience. I think that is apparent in our success with the group interpretation," Kyle Kratky ('02) said.

The speech team competed in a end of the season group play for the first time in many years. This play category is called group interpretation. After their first-place success at sectionals, the cast performed in "group interp" for many West students with a performance every hour. Even though it was their first year competing in this event, they walked away with an outstanding fifth place at state. The members worked hard to get to this level. They took time every day to practice together to get the team at its best.

Also during the season, speech team members spent many hours practicing with Mr. Jenkins to make worthwhile those five-thirty in the morning departures from West to the tournaments.

"Speech team requires a lot of practice and many early-hour weekends, but it is worth it for the skills learned and the friends made," Krey Leesman ('03) said.

This year the team had six returning members who helped contribute to the success of the team. But the underclassmen played a very important role in this years team, with many freshmen and sophomores placing high in tournaments.

"As a freshman, I wasn't sure what to expect, but I loved being involved in the group interp. I participated in an event called impromptu, which requires you to write a speech on site with the topic they give you. I think it was great practice for writing, which helped me in my classes," Andrew Kruep ('05) said.

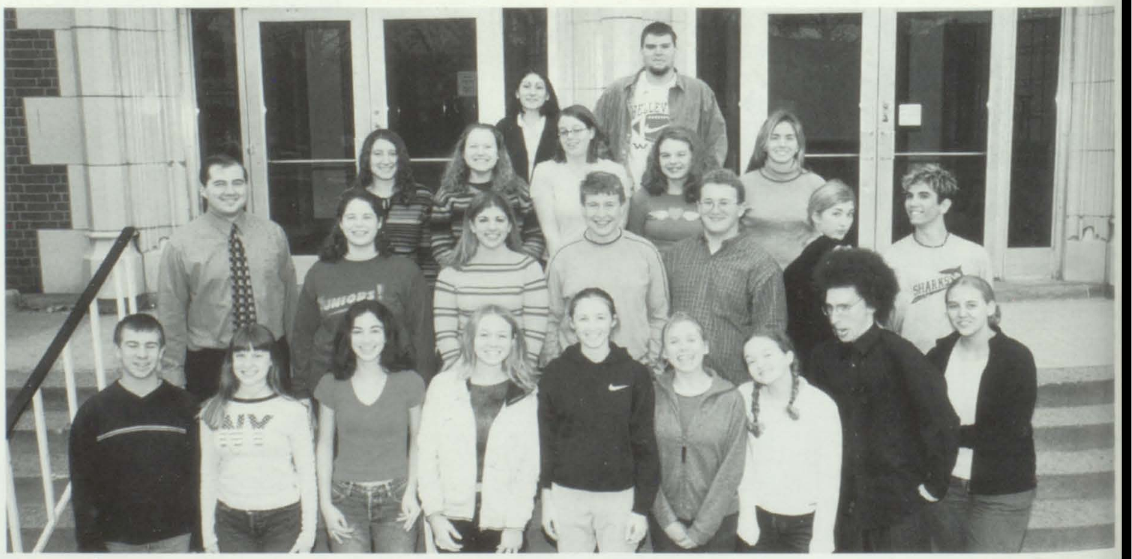
"I had a blast being involved in Speech team, especially group interp, and I was sad to see it end when the season was over," Erin Conner ('04) said.

Even though speech team had an incredible turnaround year, many are looking forward to next year. Next year many members are planning to return to continue that success.

" I am looking forward to all of the returning members and the freshmen coming in to expand our team. We are hoping to compete with the larger school more next year," Christina Simonin ('03) said. • *Hannah Shea* and *Brittany Wrubel*

afraid of Germs

Erin Conner ('04) acts out the "stuff in the sink" as Kyle Kratky ('02) and Danielle Borsch ('02) react in disgust. In this portion of *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten* the cast demostrates that being an adult is dirty work— but somebody has to do it.



SPEECH TEAM/Front Row: Andrew Kruep, Valerie Lysakowski, Sarah Feeley, Jenna Palovick, Kate Sanders, Cary Callison, Stacy Woehlke, Ian Randall, **Second Row:** Coach Mr. Adam Jenkins, Pam Wright, Hannah Shea, Erik Dronen, Kyle Kratky, Katie Williams, Cole Levan, **Third Row:** Danielle Borsch, Danielle Sturgis, Emilie Weilbacher, Jamie Dare, Erin Conner, **Fourth Row:** Gianna Hacker, Krey Leesman. Not pictured: Jessica Carr, Christina Simonin, Garret Pelch, Shawn Stumpf

INTELLIGENCE LEADS THE WAYS

Every year high school students stress out when it comes close to test time. Tests are nothing but cramming, staying up until three in the morning and then wishing that you get at least a "D." This doesn't appeal to many students, but those are the objectives that appeal to students in WYSE.

WYSE stands for the World Youth in Science and Engineering. It is sponsored by Mr. Endsley. This group of students prepare to take tests in subjects like physics, biology, English, math, chemistry, computer graphics and engineering. Members pick two of these categories to compete in.

"Many of the tests taken in WYSE are harder than tests taken in the classroom," Mr Endsley said.

Every year, for the past four years, someone from Belleville West has placed in the top two competitions. Mr. Endsley has taken at least one student to state each year.

The students don't have daily meetings, but they get together before the competitions to review materials.

"Since I'm going into engineering, WYSE presents a good opportunity to see how well my math and computer skills are," Bob Prescott ('02) said.

This is a program where students seem to work hard, and put their minds to somthing! • *Becky Randolph*

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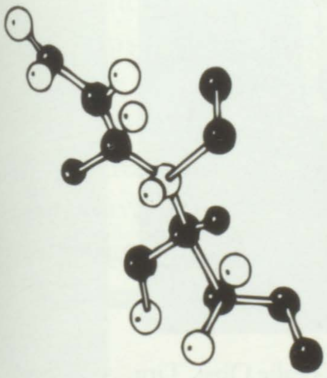
W.Y.S.E.

World
Youth
Science and
Engineering

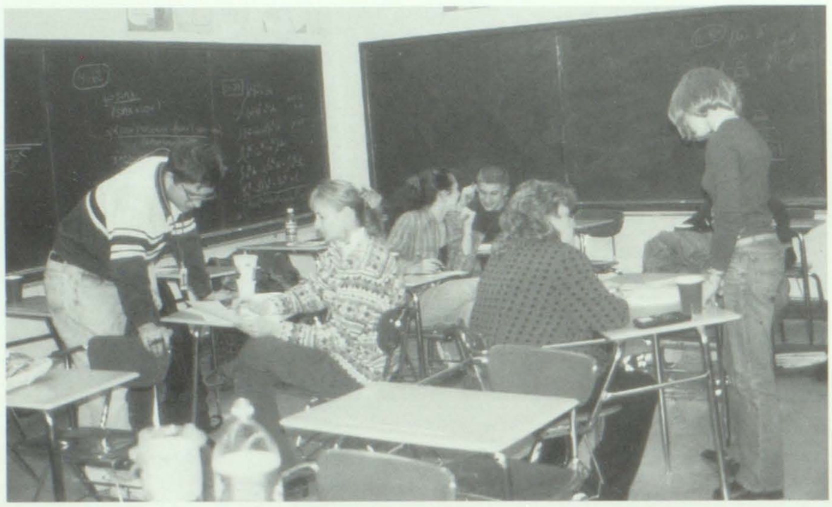
WYSE/Front Row:
Mike Lodes, Sarah Jones, Bob Prescott, MIke McQuilian



Math Team

Adding Up the Numbers

> Math Team gives me an opportunity to test my skills against the best students from other schools.
>
> Joey Rodriguez ('03)

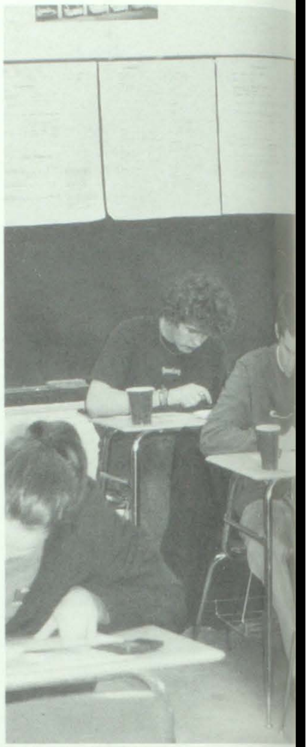


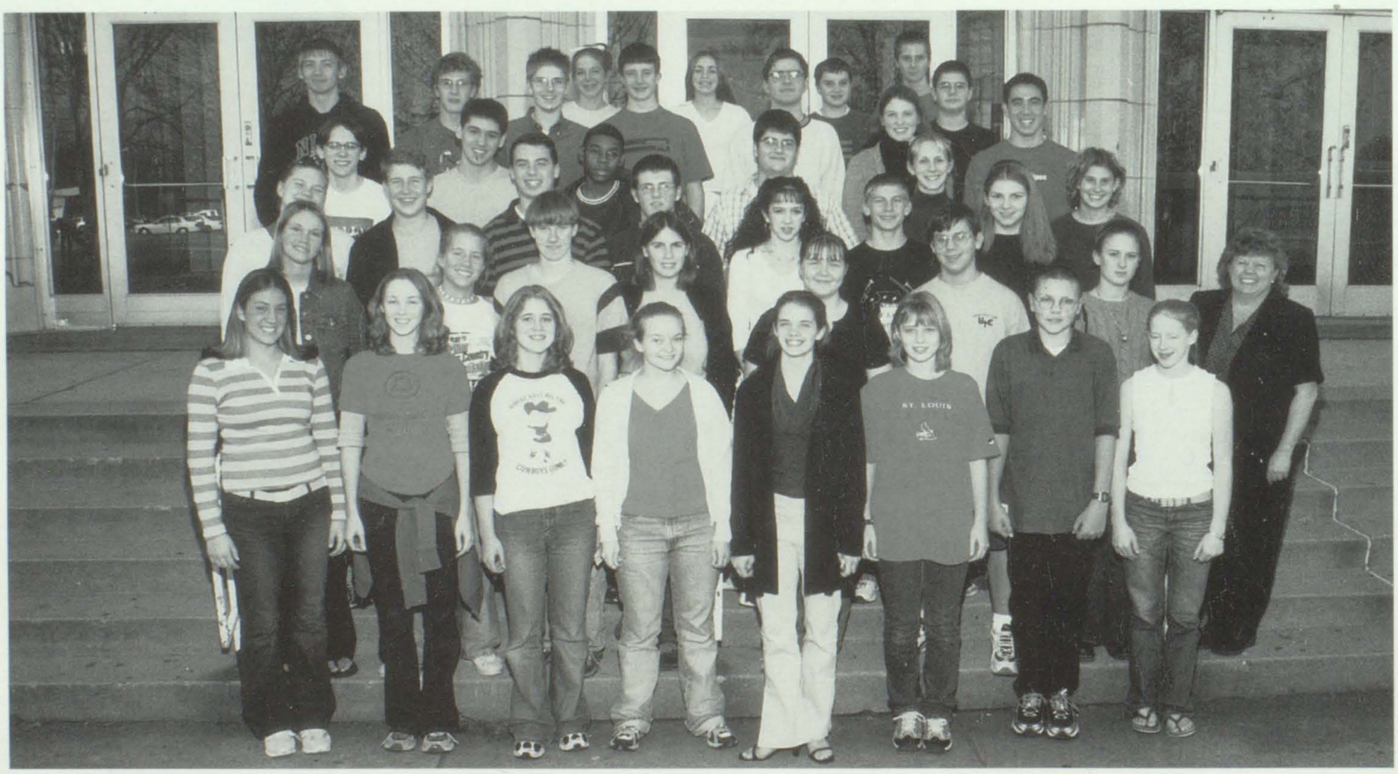
strength in *Numbers*

Math genuises Mrs. Marilyn Hughes, and Mrs. Debbie Schmieg help out students with problems. Math team meets weekly to practice for competitions.

deep in *Concentration*

Jimmy Smallwood ('05), and Justin Adams ('05) work on packets to prepare for an upcoming contest at SIUE. Students compete as individuals, and in teams.

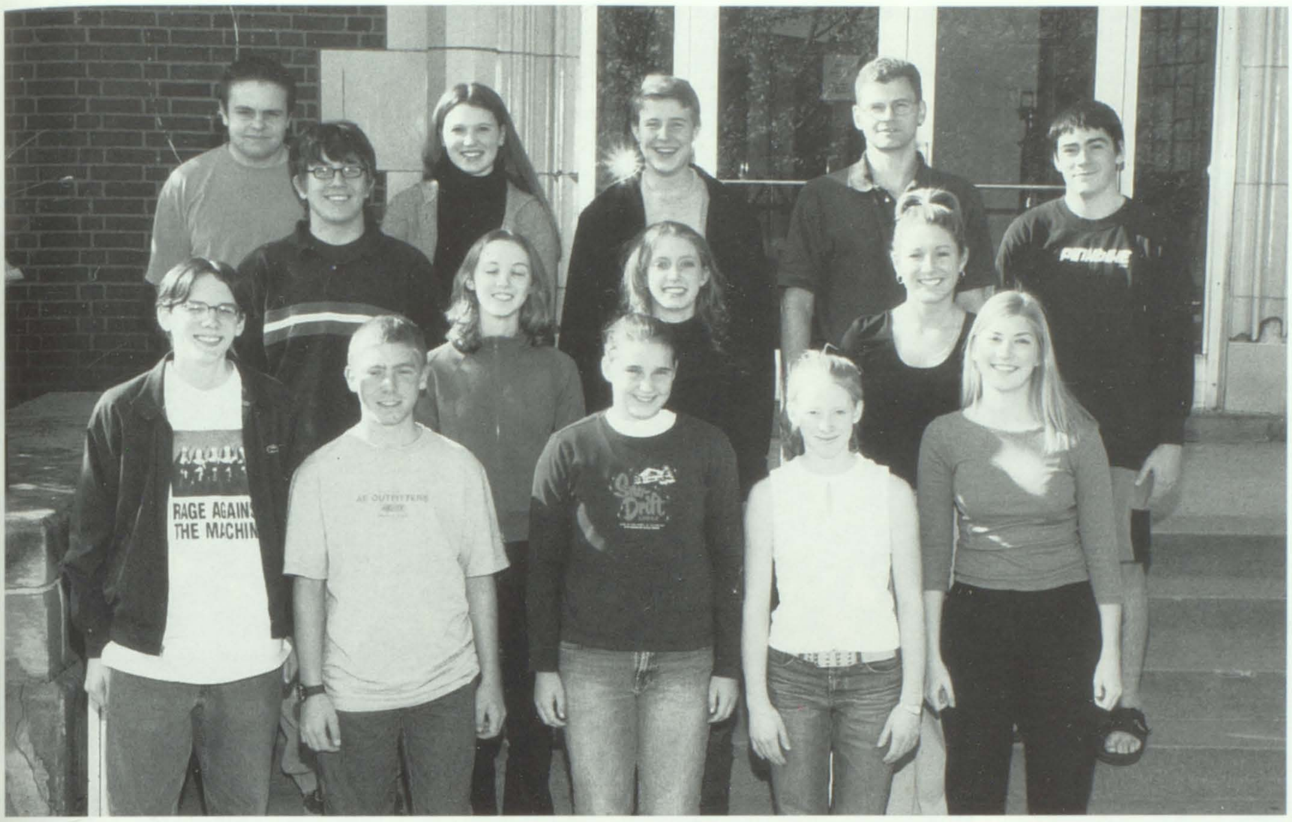




MATH TEAM/First Row: Randi Roberts, Kate Sanders, Stacey Obst, Stacey Woehlke, Courtney Tiemann, Leslie Obst, Tim Peterson, Polly Young, **Second Row:** Suzy Fitzgerald, Jill Wolfmeier, Dan Rybicki, Terra Buesking, Renee Johnson, Mike Barbeau, April Fults, Mrs. Debbie Schmieg, **Third Row:** Ann Toler, Erik Dronen, Ryan Frank, Zach Harris, Brandy Fish, Dan Presscott, Chris Hummert, **Fourth Row:** Jordan Bay, Joey Rodriguez, Mark Wright, Adam Kuester, Kristin Keel, Katie Vogel, **Fifth Row:** Bob Presscott, Justin Adams, Nick Walz, Jeff Jones, Alan Romick, Amanda Parsons-Twesten, Ryan Witt, Brian Flynn, **Sixth Row:** Jackie Hannah, Mallory Tiemann, Matt Rybicki, James Smallwood

Science Olympiad

Making Explosions



E = MC^2

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD/ Front Row: Ted Deets, Amanda Parsons-Twesten, Erik Dronen, Sponsor Mr. Rogier, **Second Row:** Phil Cornett, Kate Sanders, Ashlee Kreher, Katie Kniepkamp, **Third Row:** Jordan Bay, Jon Brown, Jenna Gass, Polly Young, Katie Williams

FCCLA/Front Row: Amanda Jarret, Lanita Andrews, Renita Coline, Chasity Johnson, Monica Jackson, **Second Row:** April Sweitzer, Michelle Reynolds, Belinda Quirin, Amanda Foshee, Sponsor Ms. Bertinetti, **Third Row:** Hillary Icenogle, Stephanie Walter, Anni Wodard, Kelly Miller, **Fourth Row:** Colin Calavanese, David Kennedy, Jeff Burgess

FCCLA

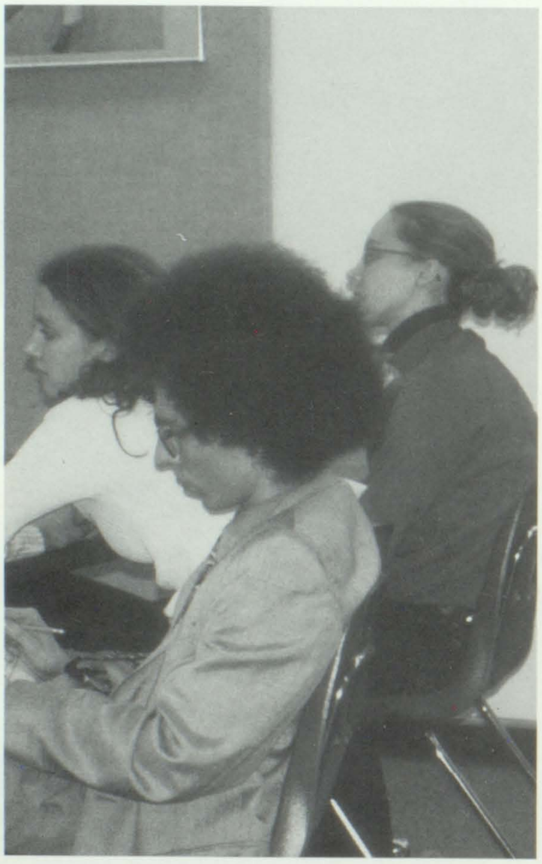
Food Management

Model U.N.

Traveling the nation with West's most diplomatic students

global *Politics*

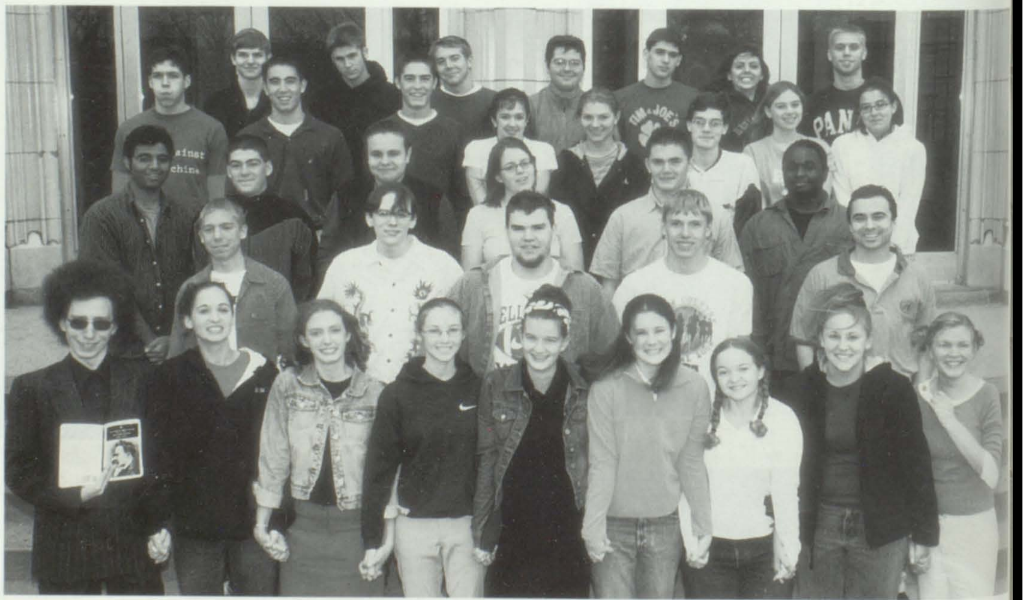
[Below] Ian Randall ('02) writes a resolution while Ashlee Kreher ('03) and Kate Sanders ('03) listen to the speaker at a weekly mock session. [Below Right] The group poses for a picture before departing for New York. Students debate in the United Nations building in New York City on this trip.



OUT*spoken students*

I really like going on U.N. trips and spending time wiht my friends while delegating which allows me to met people from across the world to discover viewpoints of people from all over the world."

• Kate Sanders ('03)



MODEL UN/Front Row: Ian Randall, Elena Rodriguez, Ashlee Kreher, Kate Sanders, Anne Wells, Sarah Jon Stacey Woehlke, Lori Jones, Sarah Schuessler, **Second Row:** Jon Brown, Jordan Bay, Krey Leesman, Nick Buesch Sponsor Mr. Rickey, **Third Row:** Ashan Iqbal, Joe Owen, Ted Deets, Emilie Weilbacher, Patrick Crutcher, Chri Reynolds, **Fourth Row:** Paxton Rogers, Brian Flynn, Dan Pietroburgo, Brandy Fish, Chris Hummert, Shaw Stumph, Cynthia Jung, Emily Alvarez, **Fifth Row:** Brayton Maine, Zach Johnson, Brian Wild, Will Kuester, Joe Rodriguez, Vonnie Hannon, Brian Behrmann

PHOTO CLUB

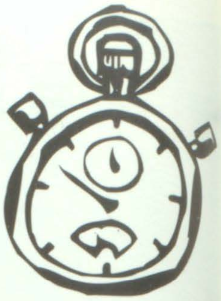
PHOTO CLUB/Front Row: Brittany Schwartz, Blake Lundsford, Mindy Sugar, Ms. Casper, Tauya Trail, Brandon Powell, Lacy Moody, Kristina Floyd, Nikki Kirk, Beth Haas, Beth Henke, Mark Young, **Second Row:** Alex Burns, Ashley Forness, Jennifer Marty, Ashley Dunning, Matt Sawicki, Jessica Holtz, Savannah Chavez, Niki Yeager, Chasity Gooch, Agnes Hesch, Mindy Rohrwedder, Erica Reeve, **Third Row:** Brian Behrmann, Ashley Knepper, Nina Ghatan, Crystal Cebulske, Mike Groom, Stacey Woehlke, Shannon Strobo, Dan Rubrick, Chris Garner, Ryan Cook, **Fouth Row:** Amy Arcynski, Ashley Riebeling, Amber Baluter, Kathi Cade, Jimi Wafer, Courtney Perryman, Matt Cain, Amanda Rist, Lannette Day, Jason Commins, Cole Davis, **Not Pictured:** April Boring, Natalie Agne, Rachel Huwer, Josh Kopf, Robin Merryfield, Nathan Miller, Tammi Ridenour, Scott Schaefer, Jennifer Morales

EQUESTRIAN CLUB

BELLEVILLE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL WEST
CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

EQUESTRIAN CLUB/ Fromt Row: Erin Darte, President Michelle Bruce, **Second Row:** Lauren Ebel, Sponsor Mrs. Struze, Stacey Thompson, Angela Barbeau

History Club



HISTORY CLUB/First Row: Brandon Zollner, Stacy Woehlke, Sarah Jones, Shannon Strobo, renee Eugea, Ms. Scmitt-Crafton, **Second Row:** Katie Williams, Katie Kniepkamp, Courtney Tieman, Dee Weilbacher, Katie McManus, Sara Nicholson, Jennifer Hutchinson, pan Wright, Julie Wegener, Danielle Borsch, **Third Row:** Phillip Cornett, Amanda P-T, Jon Monteith, Meagan Graul, Katy Adams, Travis Yates, Hilary Bennett, Ryan Frank, Nathan Brady, **Fourth Row:** Brett Wobbe, Jessica Pautler, Dan Rybicki, Meagan Gebhart, Stephanie Thompson, Danny O'Donnell, Erin Stack

bringing history *Forward*

[Above] Ms. Schmitt-Crafton , the advisor) stress the importance of the history fair. [Right]Katherine Graebe ('04), Danielle Sturgis ('04) waits patiently for the meeting to start.

FR./SO. HISTORY CLUB/First Row: Grant Vosse, Brandon Zollner, Stacy Woehlke, Sarah Jones, Shannon Strobo, Renee Eugea, Marcuetta Williams, Mandy Graves, Jed Hawk, **Second Row:** Polly Young, Stacy Obst, Dan Prescott, Andrew Beem, Brian Wood, Ryan Witt, Andrew Kruep, Travis Yates, Kati Schmidt, Christian Treman, Megan Beaudre, Katie Graebe, Ms. Schmitt-Crafton, **Third Row:** Matt Rybicki, Lori Jones, Erin Conner, Soune Ursani, Jamie Nicholson, Nick Edwards, Jon Vollmer, Tony Rojas, Jeff Jones, Amanda Jones, Candi Wiley, Danny O'Donnel, Jamie Weier, Megan Zahn, Nicole Lima, Jackie Hannah, Jessica Graul, Ashley Schrand, Kendra Kostelar, Monica Metzger, Brittany Wrubel, Sarah Schuessler, Chris Hummert, Brandy Fish, Anne Wells, Danielle Sturgis, **Fourth Row:** Katie Nicholson, Mark Marifian, Derek Hoppe, Chad Parkhurst, Marvo Cardona, Justin Adams, Mari Castello, Mallory Hensley, Ryan Stack, Stacy Obst

Odyssey of the Mind

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND/**Front Row:** Stewart Calhoun, Jordan Bay, **Second Row:** Stacy Woehlke, Sarah Schuessler, Lindsay Martz, Molly Mernick

"It is very different from other clubs I am in, and it is a lot of fun," Dan Pietroburgo ('03) said.

"My favorite part is that Odyssey of the Mind is unlike regular theater. We make up our own play and have the freedom to do what we want," Jordan Bay ('04) said.

"It allows us to think differently than in a classroom situation. It is also a good way to have fun performing," Lindsay Martz ('03) said.

"Odyssey of the Mind allows me to release my creative energy, and we have blast working together," Stacey Woehlke ('02) said.

"It lets us a lot to our creativity. We write songs and the script, and make costumes and the set," Sarah Jones ('02) said.

"Last year I was asked to replace a member, and I liked it so much, I continued this year," Stewart Calhoun ('03) said.

"You get really close to the people you work with. This is the only time I've gotten to act in somthing I helped write," Sarah Schuessler ('04) said.

creative problem Solving

[From top to bottom] Deep in thought as to how to compose just the right music for their skit, Sarah Schuessler ('04) runs different tunes through her head. The members gather together for a quick conferance in the hallway, as it is one of the few times that the whole group is able to meet.

LITERARY CLUB/Front Row: Katie Williams, Katie McMauns, Kate Sanders, Ashlee Kreher, Jenna Palovick, Sarah Crawford, Brian Wild, Jed Hawk, **Second Row:** Danielle Borsch, Courtney Harris, Jon Monteith, Monica Weilbacher, Sarah Schuessler, Angela Barbeau, Sarah Dowling, Jamie Greenwood Micki Evansco, Kara Grossmann, **Third Row:** Katie Hubert, Stacey Obst, Erin Conners, Lisa Klingler, Brittany Wrubel, Anne Wells, Justin Erickson, Erik Dronen, Ryan DonCarlos, Nicole Bach, Katy Adams, Erin Stack, **Fourth Row:** Emilie Weilbacher, Paul Toenjes, Hannah Shea, Becca Boyer, Ashley Forness, Terra Buesking, Pam Wright, Paxton Rogers

Literary Club

reading between the *Lines*

[Above] Literary Club members read a different book every few months and then go to Borders to dicuss their reactions and opinions over cups of cappuchino's.

> “The material we read is thought provoking and I enjoy discussing it with others who feel the same way
>
> Erin Conner ('04)”

becoming *Well-rea*

[Above] Mrs. Matysik scans through “The Festival of Love” wh
she waits for the meeting to start.

Page One

the write stuff

Filled with the works of students, Page One is hardly one page. A blend of talent comes together to produce a fifty page boolet of short stories, poetry, photos and art. Each year the number of submissions grows greatly.

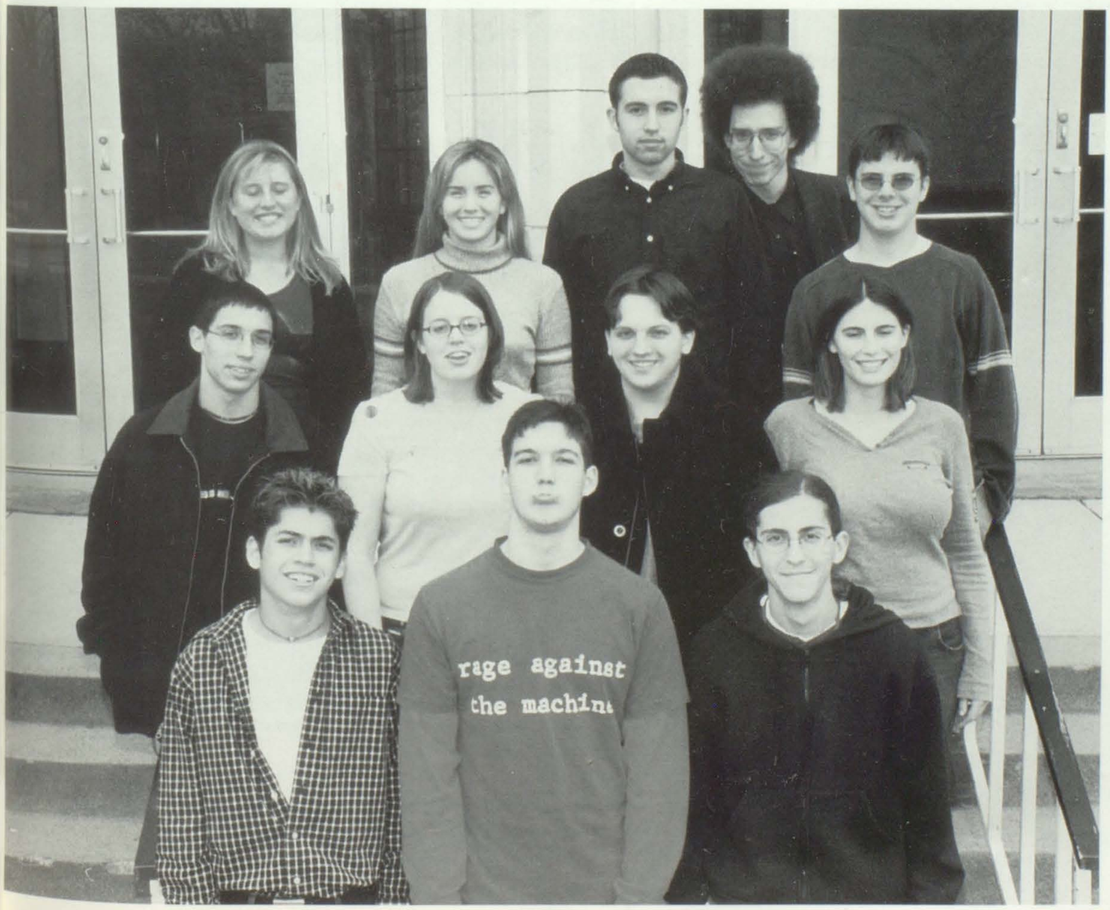
"We had over 250 submissions and the staff narrowed it down to about thirty-five pieces of writing and thirty pieces of artwork," advisor Mr. John Lodle said.

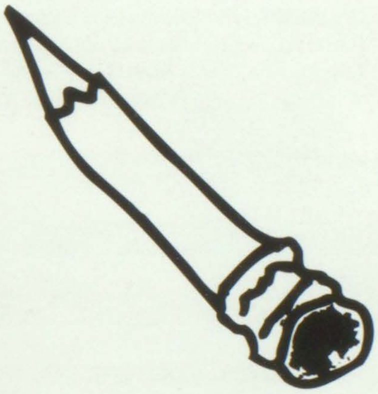
Weekly meetings, held of Monday mornings, consist of everyone coming together to dicuss what improvements can be made. Second semester, things really start to get more intense for the staff becasue that is when all the work begins to pile up.

The staff of fifteen reads through all the submissions individually without the author's name on them. Then the separtate staffs come together, match the names up with the piecies of work and decide what they want to keep.

"The students do everything from deciding what will go into the magazine to helping work on the layout and retyping the actual stories. The editors of each section also help suggest revisions," Lodle said.

Overall, the production is made for the students by the students and is an opportunity for everyone to showcase their creative side. • *Lauren Williams*





PAGE ONE/ First Row: Chris Rios, Paxton Rogers, Paul Toenjes, **Second Row:** Ryan DonCarlos, Emilie Weilbacher, Matt Heckman, Terra Buesking, **Third Row:** Brittany Schwartz, Erin Conner, Derek Grimm, Ian Randall, Justin Brady, **Not Pictured:** Angela Banks, Lannette Day, Jamie Greenwook, Jeantielle Gonzalez, Jessica Pautler

HyNews? Low News? What *is* the news?

NEWSCHANNEL 5

HY NEWS/First Row: Stewart Calhoun, Lindsay Martz, Sarah Schuessler, Brett Wobbe, Jessica Carr, Paul Toenjes, Jordan Bay, **Second Row:** Randi Roberts, Carlos Greer, Leigh Shelton, Jon Monteith, Cary Callison, Kate Sanders, Jenna Palovick, Ashlee Kreher, Amy Webster, Sarah Haas, Stacey Obst, Brandon Zollner, Erik Dronen, **Third Row:**Dan Pietroburgo, Suzy Fitzgerald, Derek Grimm, Stephanie Wolf, Monica Weilbacher, Briana Kassebaum, Molly Mernick, Lauren Williams, Amanda Parsons-Tweston, Becky Randolph, Kristin Keel, Danielle Sturgis, Morgan Ramclam, Erin Conners, Jon Brough, Becca Boyer

local celebrity *Chat*

Ms. Laurie Bielong,
Hy News adviser

Q. How many years have you advised the production of Hy News?

A. Nine years.

Q: Why so you continue to advise?

A: Student news is an important aspect of student experience, and I enjoy working with the students.

Q: What is you favorite memory about Hy News?

A: My best memory was at the Christmas party at the bowling alley.

Q: What are some changes that have recently been made to Hy News?

A: We re-added the entertainment section.

Q: What are ypour goals for the remainder of the year?

A: We want to produce the best publication we can, and do well in competitions. If we win 1st at EIHSPA, I'll run down the building screaming!

Hy News continues to make headlines

Admittedly, *HyNews* did not almost burn down the "L" building making popcorn this year, but they are still managing to make news. Leigh Shelton, who is editor-in-chief this year, put forth many long hours a production along with Ms. Laurie Bielong, who is the *HyNews* adviser.

Time, patience and work are spread between interviewing, writing editing, photographing, drawing, making headlines and editing again. The paper covers all different topics and this year was no exception Articles ranged from the September 11 terrorist attacks issuesto point counterpoint on premarital sex. A blend of personalites came together to make each section well-rounded.

"It's fun to work with all the different people on staff because we have a good time, but we also get the work done too. It just makes it easier to be able to work with good people that you get along with," sophomore Danielle Sturgis said.

HyNews's monthly distribution provided students not only with knowledge and entertainment, but it often times made for a good weapon to bop a friend on the head with.

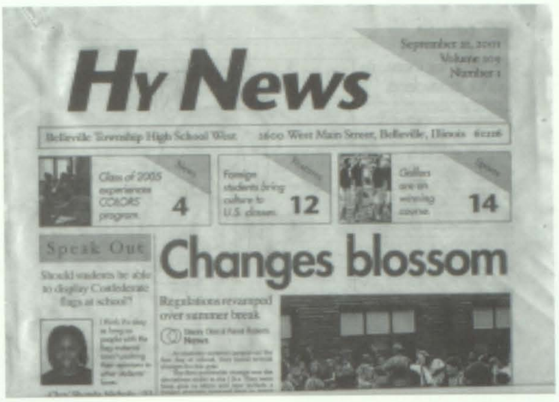
"When I see everyone beating each other with the paper, it kind of defeats the purpose of passing them all out, but I am sure they read it after their little 'paper wars'," junior Suzy Fitzgerald said.

Other than the few minor problems of meeting deadlines, *HyNews* had a smooth year of production along with a year full of memories.

• *Lauren Williams*

Spreading the Word

Hy News is published nine times a year with a special hobo day issue, and a senior insert.



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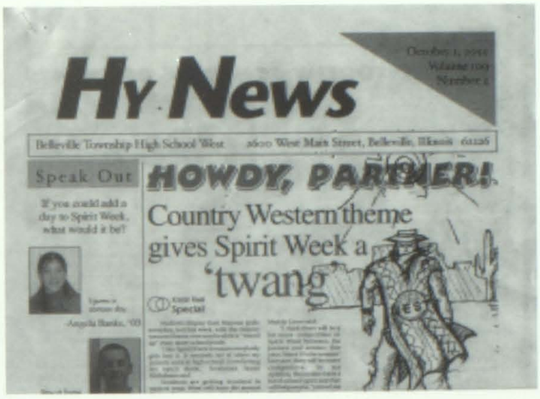
Speak Out

Changes blossom

Regulations revamped over summer break



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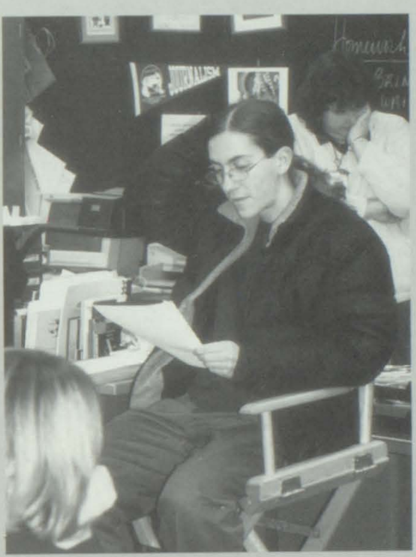
Speak Out

If you could add a day to Spirit Week, what would it be?

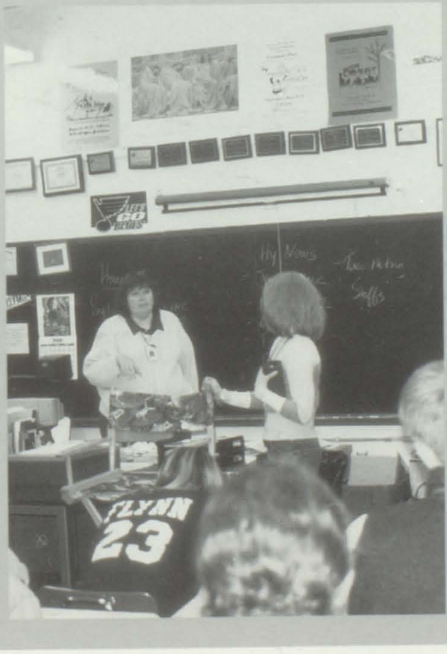
HOWDY, PARTNER!

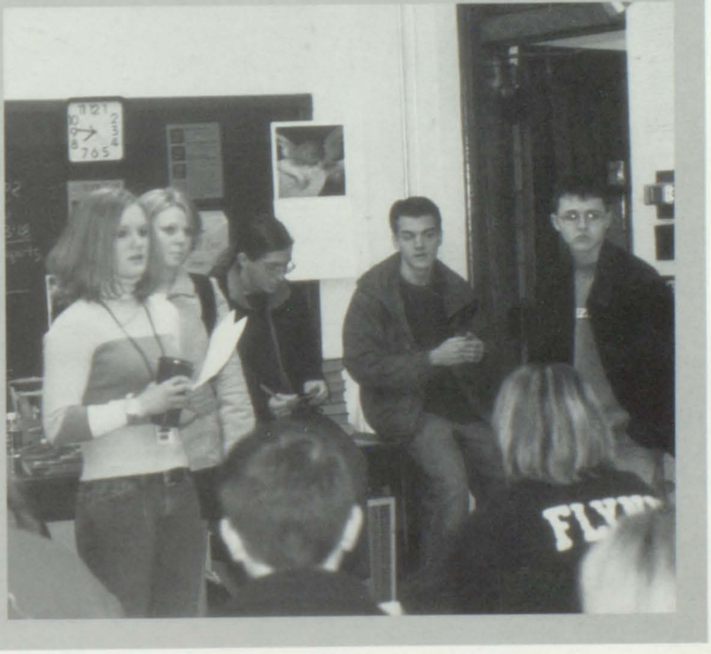
Country Western theme gives Spirit Week a 'twang'

Special



Clockwise from Top: Staff members are requried to attend meetings bright and early every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 7:45 a.m. Every month Paul Toejnes (Editorial Editor) reads the editorial to the staff: A perk to being on staff is the HyNews office which includes three computers, a microwave, a refrigerator and personal mailboxes for all staff members which Becky Randolph ('03) checks daily; Ms. Laurie Bielong (HyNews advisor) does more than just advise. She lays out pages, runs production and helps to make sure meetings flow smoothly; Leigh Shelton(Editor-in-Chief) runs through a check with all the editors to make sure that all the stories will be in on time. At this early hour, she is never without her cup of coffee.





getting down to **Business**

Leading the meeting, adviser Mr. Nick Johnson enforces upcoming deadlines.

tedious **Typing**

Editing their section, Danielle Borsch ('02) and Hannah Shea ('03) put the finishing touches on their section.

CORONA
ILLINOIS

working **Overtime**

Sarah Jones ('02) and Suzy Fitzgerald ('03) review layouts for their respective sections.

promoting in **Motion**

Promoting video yearbooks, Sarah Jones ('02) and Ashlee Kreher ('03) hang signs to advertise the new supplement.

Memories of the journey ... scrapbook style

Bellevinois, the Yearbook

Top Five Reasons why being on Bellevinois is Rocktastic!

5. Order Pizza for $5.50 and get free cinnasticks.
4. Listen to Michael Jackson while you work.
3. Miss two days of school for field trips.
2. Really fun T-shirts
1. You get to make up these fun lists!

I ♥ Belleville Illinois!

BELLEVINOIS/Front Row: Courtney Tiemann, Sarah Jones, Danielle Borsch, Ashlee Kreher, Jessica Jobin, Kristin Keel, Cheryl Childress, Sarah Haas, **Second Row:** Jennifer Schmidt, Cary Callison, Meghan Kramp, Elena Rodriguez, Jennifer Sanders, Randi Roberts, Lindsey Mueth, Justin Brady, **Third Row:** Jessica Determan, Julie Pickeral, Becky Randolph, Monica Weilbacher, Suzy Fitzgerald, Anne Wells, Brittany Wrubel, Hannah Shea, **Fourth Row:** Katie Williams, Jon Monteith, Sarah Schuessler, Brett Wobbe, Joe Tribout, Lauren Williams, Amanda Parsons-Twesten, Briana Kassebaum, Jackie Morrison

Distributive Education Clubs of America
Getting Down to Business

DECA/First Row: Randy Sauget, Wade Sutter, Brad Edwards (V.P.), Tarrah Stirewalt (Sec.), Jenni Heidenfelder (Pres.), Betsy Riley, **Second Row:** Odis Jordan, Michael Tattrie, Joe Fite, Becky Haverman, Ashley Reznicek, Danielle Blackwell, Chelsea Erlinger, **Third Row:** Mark Carter, Leia Wey, Natalie Carr, Victory Batson, Craig Gulash. **Not Pictured:** Natalie Agne (Treas.)

DECA

DEVELOPING STRATEGIES
EARNING MONEY
COMMUNITY SERVICE
A.M. SCHOOL DAY

Many students would appreciate a shorter school day. DECA provides this benefit along with numerous other opportunities.

DECA allows students to earn triple credit by working at local market-related businesses such as: Target, Ruby Tuesdays, and Tire and Auto. Members attend morning classes and are then released as early 11:30 a.m. to go to work.

"DECA is a club that teaches big business technique skills you need to be successful," Jenni Heidenfelder ('02) said.

Chelsea Erlinger ('02) expanded on Heidenfelder's thoughts. "This program teaches marketing by integrating work situations into the classroom content, using clasroom theories as a basis for making decisions, and solving problems in the work environment," Erlinger said.

Outside the classroom, DECA participates in community service events.

"It is a great opportuntity for students to get exposure to business fields, community service, and social events. It's a very well rounded program," Mr. Caswell, business teacher and DECA sponsor, said.

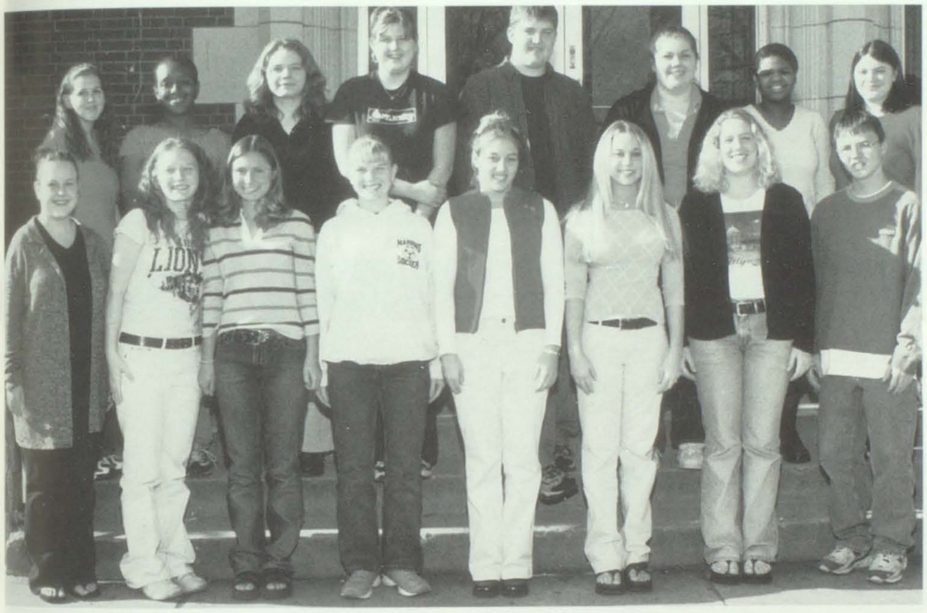
DECA has proved to be beneficial program, and members have found it to produce benefits when it involves an important topic for teens: money.

"DECA is efficient; you learn marketing techniques and you also learn how to do your own taxes, so the government can't cheat you out of money," Erlinger said. •*Stacey Obst*

J.I.L.G

JILG/First Row: Renetia Coline, Keeshia Foster, Steffanie Granger, Chasity Johnson, Nicole Buchanan, Kim Melahn, Nicole VanPelt, Tiffany Veath, **Second Row:** Alex Smith, Daniel Hardwick, Stephanie Walter, Amanda Jarrett, Justin Crouch, Christina Hunt, **ThirdRow:** Mike Aldridge, Rob Jokisch, Annan Gross, Ty Cherry, Darian Jones, Arteia Adkins, **Fourth Row:** Ashley Thies, Natasha Schott, Bobby Diehl, Mia Banks, Sheree Ricet, Steve Owens, **Fifth Row:** Ron Casey, Kaheeda Miller, Jeff Burgess, Mary Worley, Mrs. McDonald. **Not Pictured:** Jordan Blaise, Rosalyn Geutry, LaConstance Nichols, Kurtrina Parker, ReKeida Scott, Jim Seiber

Future Teachers of Americ



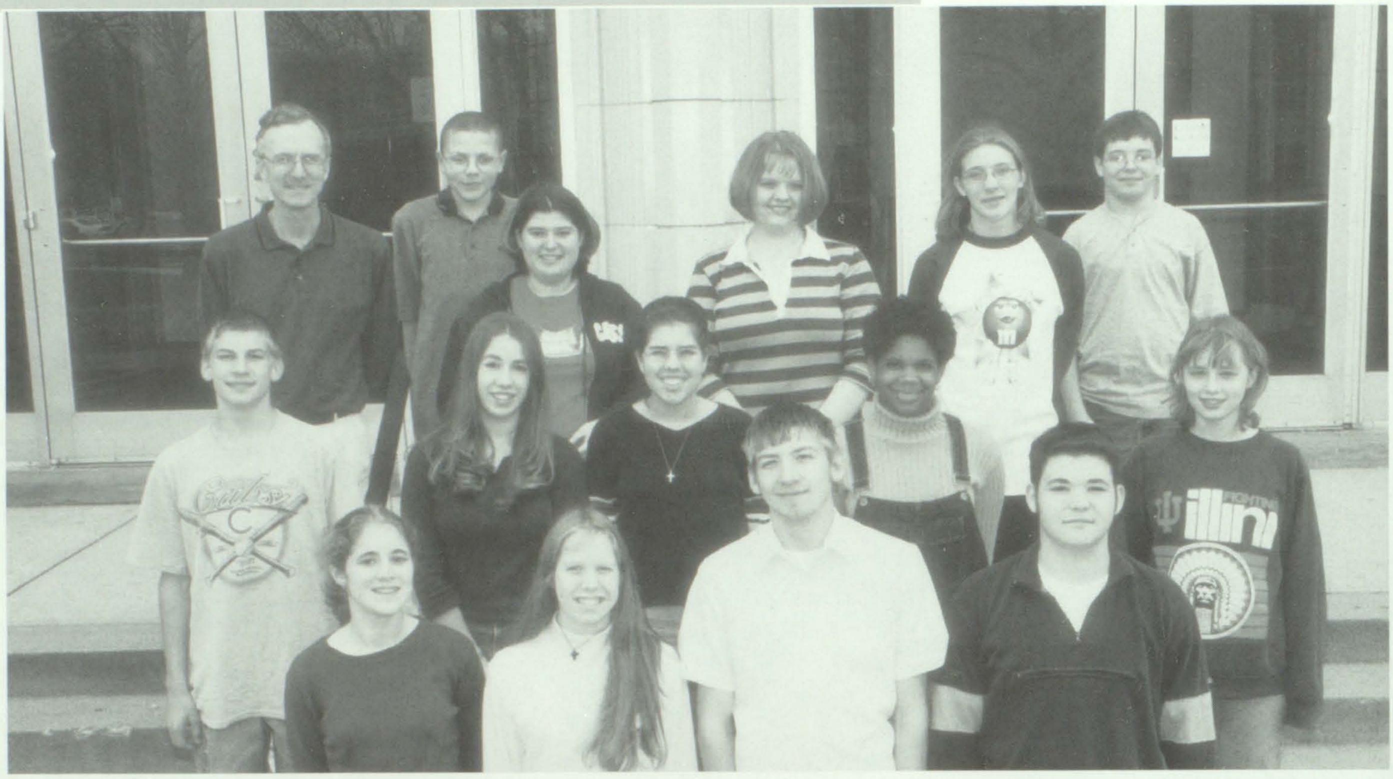
FTA/First Row: Renee Blake, Amanda Young, Tiffany Tauchert, Jenny Weir, Kelly Smith, Madelyn Hoff, Candice Miller, Eric Cadell, **Second Row:** MaryAnne Geisich, Jamie Dare, Kira Wright, Ryan Moore, Casey Linderman, Ashley Hollman, Elizabeth Jurich. **Not Pictured:** Emily Magrath, Amanda Jones, Jessica Jobin

Office Occupations

OFFICE OCCUPATION/First Row: Nichole Buchanan, Danielle Darby, April Hosein, Melissa Elliot, **Second Row:** Paula Burd, Cassie DeHart, Amber Monroe, Bruce DeBlanc, **Third Row:** Arteia Adkins, Tiana Marable, Christina Hunt, Shannon Conrath, Natasha Schott, Emily Schmidt, Alicia Hering, Mrs. Tammie Hettenhausen, Mike Whittaker

More than just praying

YOUTH ALIVE



Youth Alive

YOUTH ALIVE/Front Row: Stacey Obst, Sarah Crawford, Bob Prescott, Chuck Beem **Second Row:** Dan Prescott, Tanya Bovinette, Stacy Seib, Felicia Hoff
Leslie Obst, **Third Row:** Sponsor Mr. Buchanan, Tim Peterson, Rachel Asbury, Erin Darte, Andrew Beem

listening *Closely*

[Below] Rachel Bray ('05), Sarah Crawford ('03), Bob Prescott ('02), Kasey Bersett ('03), Chuck Beem ('02) and Felicia Hoffman ('04) gather around at a meeting.

YOUTH ALIVE

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

closing Prayer

Sponsor Mr. Mitchell listens to the closing prayer at a meeting with club members.

sharing Opinions

[Below] Expressing her beliefs, Lindsay Irwin ('02) participates in a meeting. FCA holds meetings on Tuesday nights twice a month.

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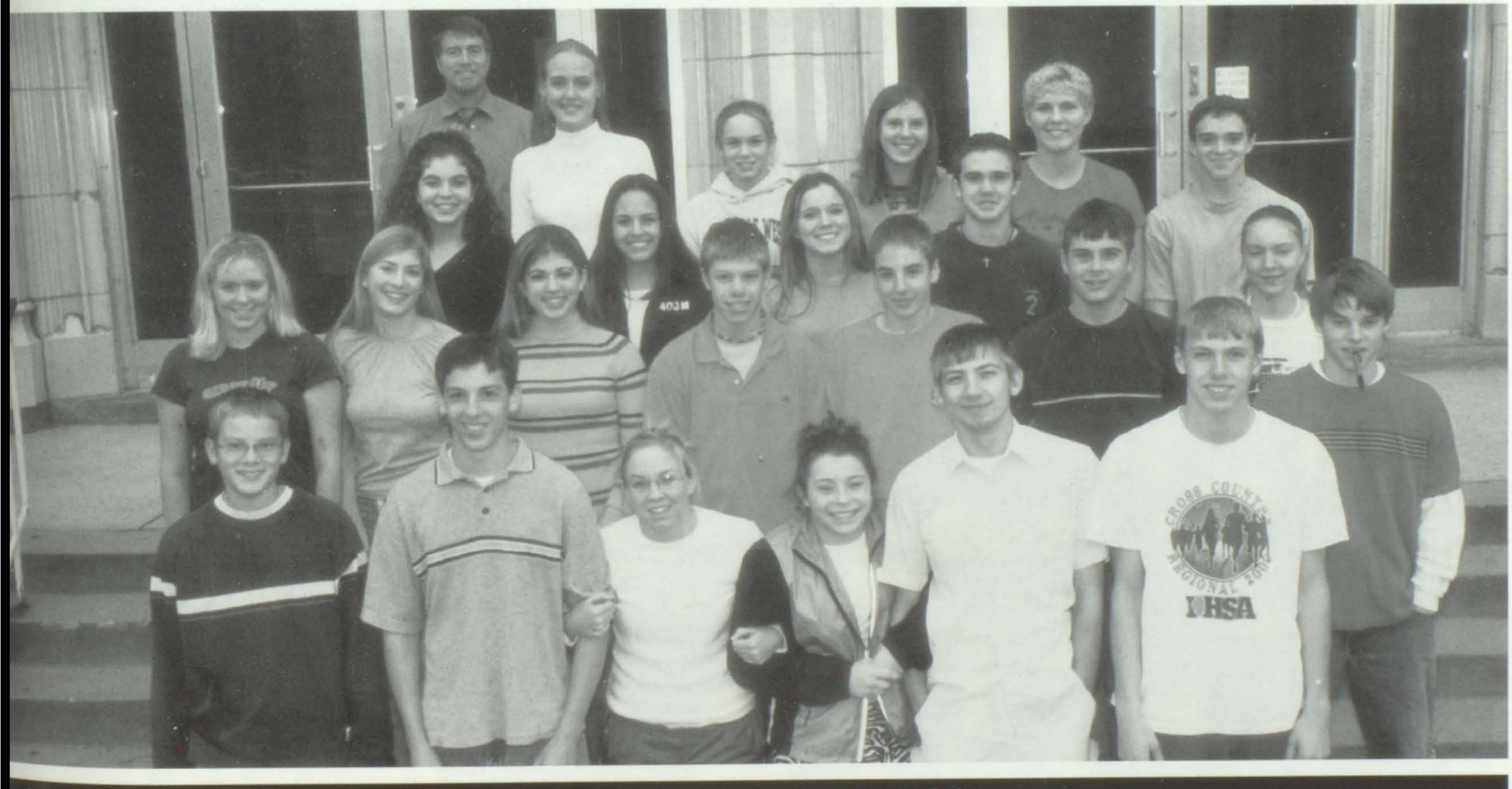


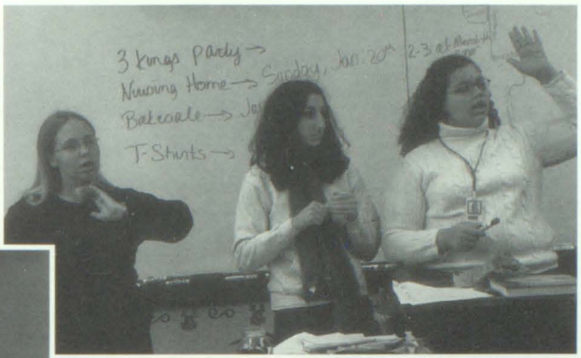
Fellowship of Christian Athletes

CA/**Front Row:** Jared Stueckel, Tom Trautt, Molly Mernick, Amanda Brown, Bob Prescott, Nick Buescher, **Second Row:** Rachel Huwer, Katie Williams, iannah Shea, Sean Taylor, Brian Truatt, Andrew Beil, Charity Lennens, Aaron Godard, **Third Row:** Briana Kassebaum, Hillary Bennett, Emily Bischan, Andy laxfield, **Fourth Row:** Bryan Mitchell, Jennie Holtgrewe, Justine Stueckel, Lindsay Irwin, Randi Beare Chris Bellm

GERMAN CLUB/Front Row: Margaret Barbour, President Wendy MacEwen, Vice President Lisa Tinney, Mary Murphy, **Second Row:** Sponsor Miss Koehler, Jim Feucht, Secertary Billy Gain, Treasurer Jessica Whitaker, **Not Pictured:** Grant Vosse, Micheal Watson, Alexandra Thompson, John Brighton, Andrea Weldele

FRENCH CLUB/Front Row: Jessica Jobin, Sponsor Ms. Chmeleck, Jean-Luc Picard, Kyle Kratky, Danielle Borsch, Stacy Woehlke, Katy Adams, Lindsay Powell, Whitney Merz, Melissa Jobin, Cecilia Modarelli, Elizabeth Henke, **Second Row:** Meghan Kramp, Amber Moore, Danielle Lanxon, Randi Roberts, Diana Watkins, Kelli Zike, Katie McManus, Missy MIller, Kate Lobstein, Emilie Weilbacher, Amanda Parsons-Twesten, Katie Williams, Ryan Bukk, **Third Row:** Hannah Shea, Jenna Palovick, Adam Jobin, ReKenya Watson, Kara Sugar, Cary Callison, Heather Carter, Jamie Hartmann, Sarah Schuessler, Danielle Lemay, Elissa Pfieffer, Lorna Cohran, Erin Darte, **Fourth Row:** Stephanie Quante, McKenzie Klee, Stacey Schneider, Nikki Kirk, Phil Cornett, Ahsan Iqbal, Nick Buescher, Brian Wild, Brian Ripperda, Nathan Harres, Dan Rybicki, Danny O'Donnell, Rick Parent, Jennah Green, Dallas Cook, Chip Suess, Laura Asbury

SPANISH CLUB/Front Row: Jessie Parker, Amanda Schaefer, Julie Wegener, Jennifer Hutchinson, Jennifer White, **Second Row:** Candice Miller, Danielle Sturgis, Travis Yates, Lester McQuaid, Kate Lobstein, Lisa Klinger, Chry'Shonda Nichols, **Third Row:** Justin Brady, Micki Evansco, Kristin Keel, Jaime Greenwood, Sarah Jones, Jon Brough, Dan O'Donnell, Mandy Graves, Courtney Thielan

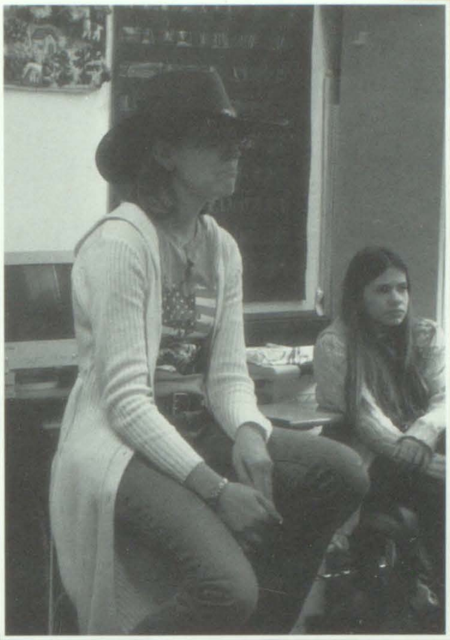


any Volunteers

[Left] Officers Amanda Schaefer ('02), Nina Ghatan ('02), and Jaime Greenwood ('02) discuss an upcoming bake sale at a monthly meeting. Baked goods are sold to foreign language classes on these days.

sitting High

Listening attentively, Jessie Reuter ('02) sits in the middle of the room during a spanish club meeting.



turning ice into Paste

[Below] French and German club members build castles of sugar at the Mardi Gras celebration. The festival is put on by the French and German clubs.

coloring with Ketchup

[Above] Painting-By-Number, Leigh Shelton ('02), and Rick Parent ('02) create a work of art in a competition at the annual Mardi Gras celebration.

smile Pretty

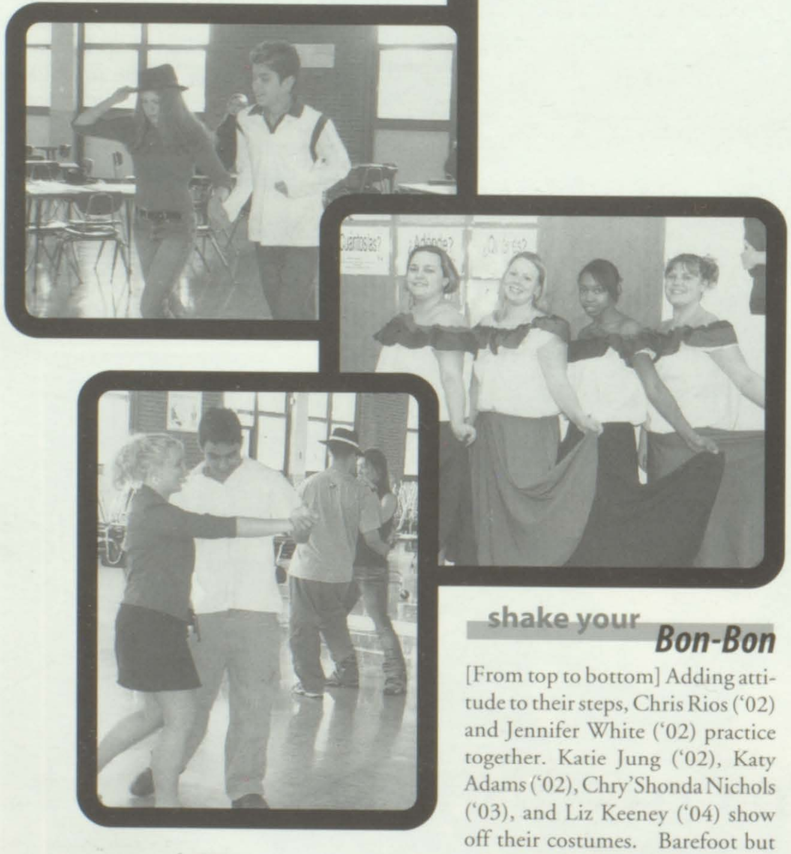
Winners of the Mardi Gras dress-up contest, Jessie Jobin ('03), Katie Williams ('03), and Meghan Kramp ('03), pose for pictures.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLUBS

ADDING CULTURE TO THE JOURNEY

practice makes *Perfect*

[From top to bottom] Matt Paule ('04) extends a hand to Nicole Bach ('04). The group runs through their routine to fine tune all their moves. Jennifer White ('02) shows that the chiquita banana woman is not the only one who can pull off wearing fruit on her head.



shake your *Bon-Bon*

[From top to bottom] Adding attitude to their steps, Chris Rios ('02) and Jennifer White ('02) practice together. Katie Jung ('02), Katy Adams ('02), Chry'Shonda Nichols ('03), and Liz Keeney ('04) show off their costumes. Barefoot but still on beat, Candice Miller ('03) dances with Andre Silva ('02)

LATIN DANCE TEAM

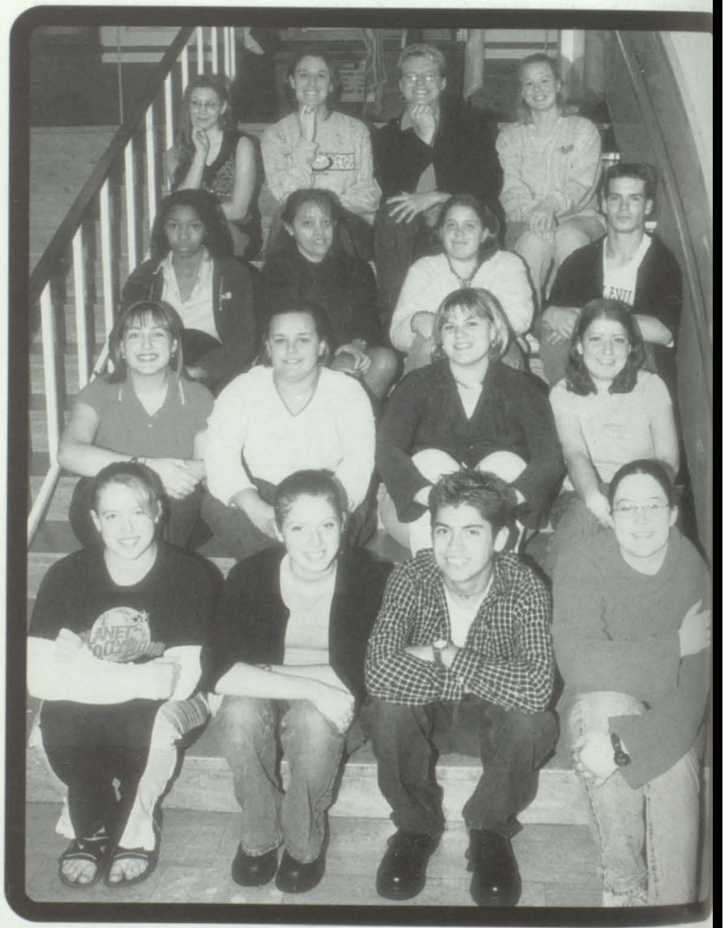
The Latin Dance Team is a very unique activity that offers an in-depth look at the Hispanic culture. The team is the only one of it's kind in Illinois. Sra. Moran is the advisor and is also the person in charge of teaching both the traditional and modern dances. Everyone had to work very hard in order to learn many dances at once.

"We have meetings the first Thursday of every month to discuss performances, fund-raisers and presentations," Sra. Moran said.

They have two Sunshine performances; one at the local nursing home and one at Longacre Park which if for the physically challenged. Latin Dance Team also attended the Global Fest at Urbana High School. Having a special visitor come to dance with them at a performance in the auditorium was also a highlight of the year.

"We invited nine different schools to come and see us perform with Justo Lamas. He is a wonderful dancer and all around performer," Sra. Moran said.

Latin Dance Team provides students with the opportunity to learn not only about different music, but also about a different culture as a whole. • *Brittany Wrubel*



LATIN DANCE TEAM/First Row: Candice Miller, Jennifer White, Christoph Rios, Jessica Pautler, **Second Row:** Julie Wegener, Katie Jung, Elizabeth Keen Kate Lobstien, **Third Row:** Chry'Shonda Nichols, Senora Moran, Nicki Bac Keith Meyer, **Fourth Row:** Amanda Jones, Heather Brown, Joe Huber, Ka Adams, **Not Pictured:** Matt Paule, Tiffany Quenuer,Dominque Savage, marga Barbour, Megan McMinn

Sewing Club

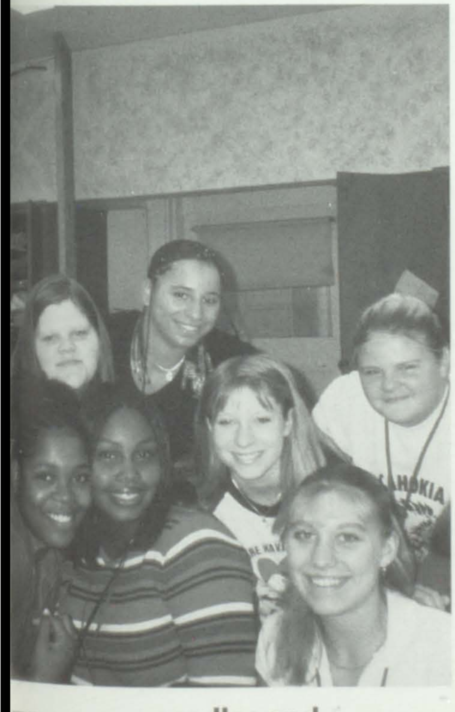
putting it Together

[Above] Kimiano Wallace ('02) and Sewing Club adviser Mrs. Jane Steinkuehler pause for a moment for the camera while piecing together clothing patterns.

football and Sewing

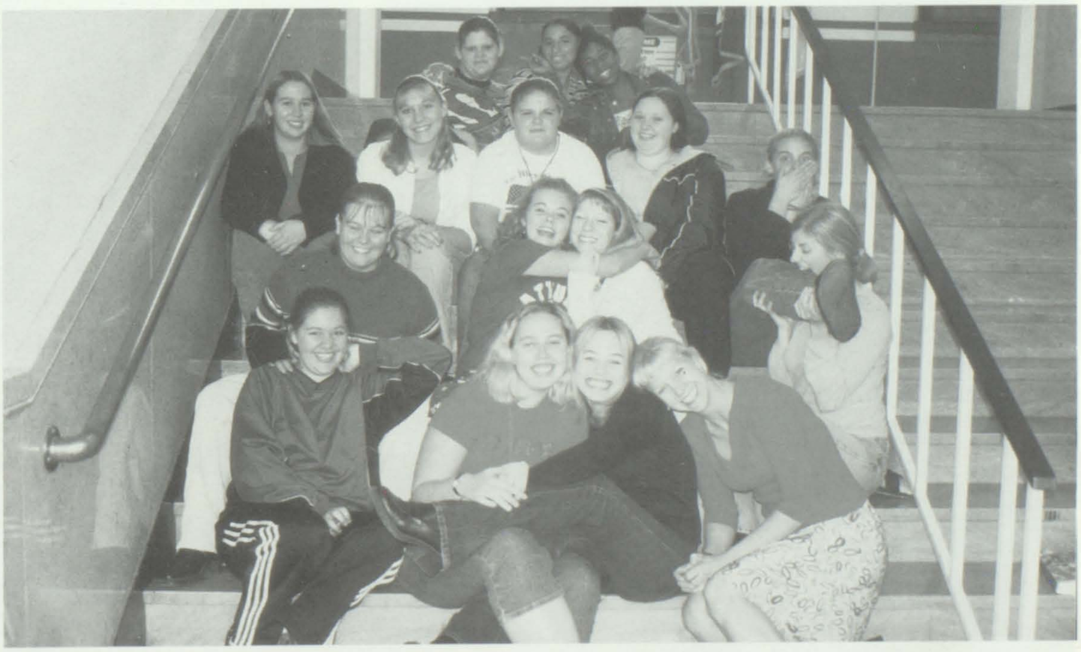
[Below] As a treat, Ms. Steinkuehler and most of the the sewing club went to a Rams football game together.

PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER



needles and Thread

[Above] Sewing club members take a break from sewing to pose for a picture.



SEWING CLUB/ First Row: Tina O'Neal, Stephanie Holland, Tia Franklin, Mrs. SteinKuehler, **Second Row:** Mary Worley, Tanya Hartwell, Courtney Harris, Katie Williams, **Third Row:** Angela Barbeau, Whitney Rowe, Amanda Donnelly, Erin Schmitt, Kasey Bersett, **Fourth Row:** Stephanie Gesiriech, Chasity Gooch, Sharita Ward, **Not Pictured:** Karla Lovett, Kimiano Wallace

MUSIC to our EARS

Fingers a-snapping, toes a-tapping and dresses a-twirling, all part of a Maroon Majic performance. It all starts off with a try out, where some serious competition takes place. Once the group is chosen, it's high kicks and steady voices from there on out.

"I love to sing and dance. It is so much fun and it is my favorite class," Lisa Bieri ('02) said.

The talented group entertains through singing and dancing; yes they do this simutaneously. These 24 girls, and boys dance in partners and perform in a concert each semester and also spread their talent through events in the community.

"It is a lot of fun and I love to sing and dance, but I really only try to dance," Ryan Frank ('02) said.

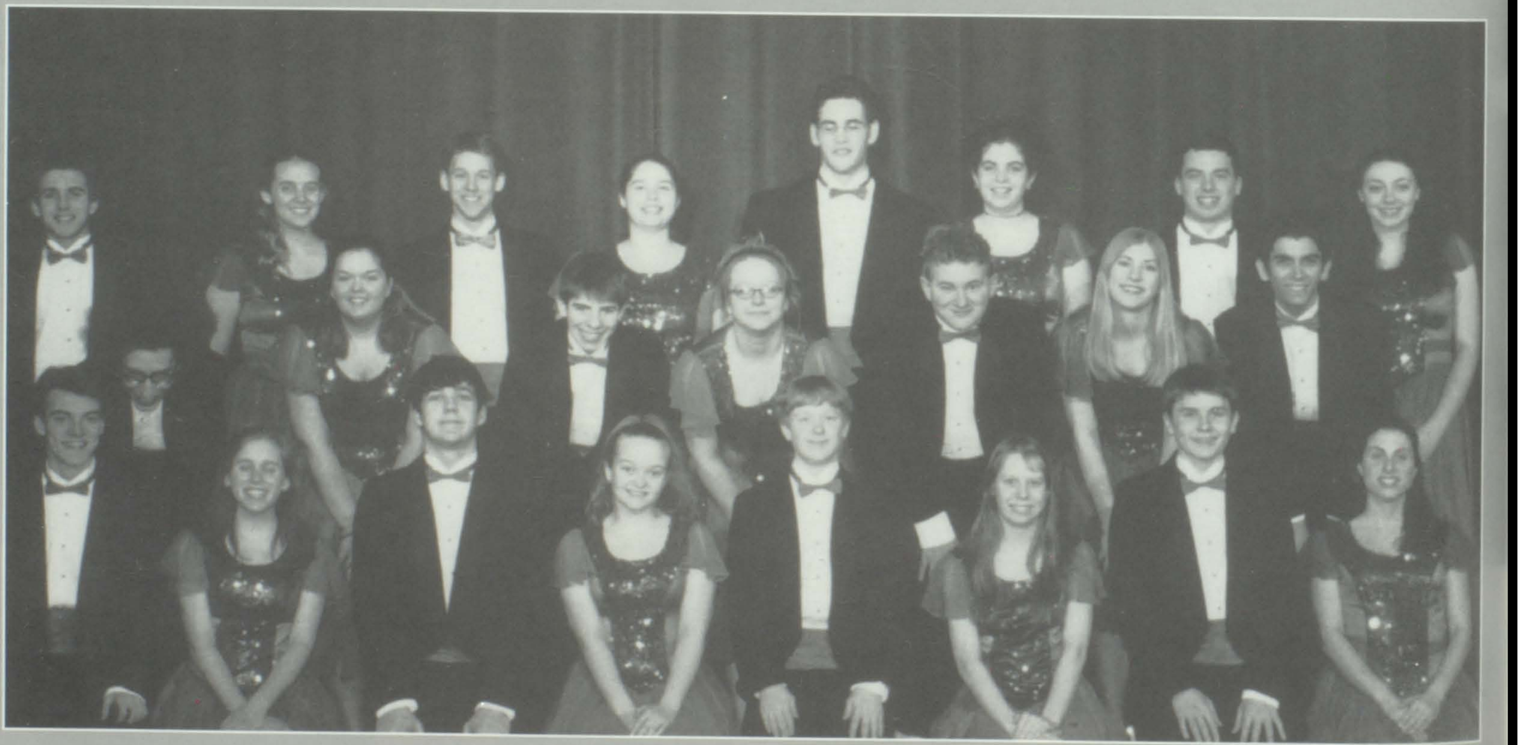
Mrs. Carter is the vocal instructor, as well as the choreographer for all the dances that Maroon Majic performs. Their music is usually about five to six songs and comes from all different kinds of plays, musicals, movies, and songs from the radio.

The group learns the first set of dances to perform at the end of the semester. After the Christmas break, they learn a new routine for the remainder of the year.

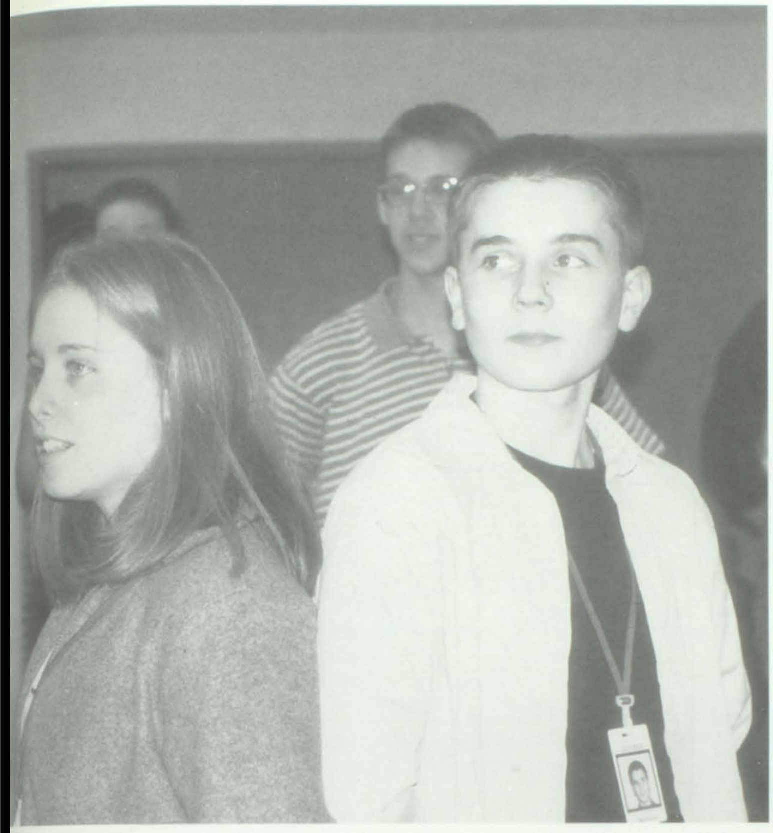
"This is by far the best class that I have ever taken. Everyone should try out and do it," Bieri said.

• *Jamie Graham*

"Maroon Majic is a class where I get to hang out with my friends I don't normally see, and we get to have fun,"
• Stacey Woehlke
('02)



MAROON MAJIC/First Row: Brandon Zollner, Cary Callison, Paxton Rogers, Stacey Woelhke, Bryan McKinney, Sarah Crawford, Stewart Calhoun, Lisa Bieri, **Second Ro** Ian Randall, Kira Grossman, Mitchell Martin, Mary McCree, Kyle Kratky, Katie Williams, Cole LeVan, **Third Row:** Travis Yates, Kasey Bersett, Dan Veile, Pam Wright, Ke Tisch, Brianna Kassebaum, Ryan Frank, Christina Simmonin

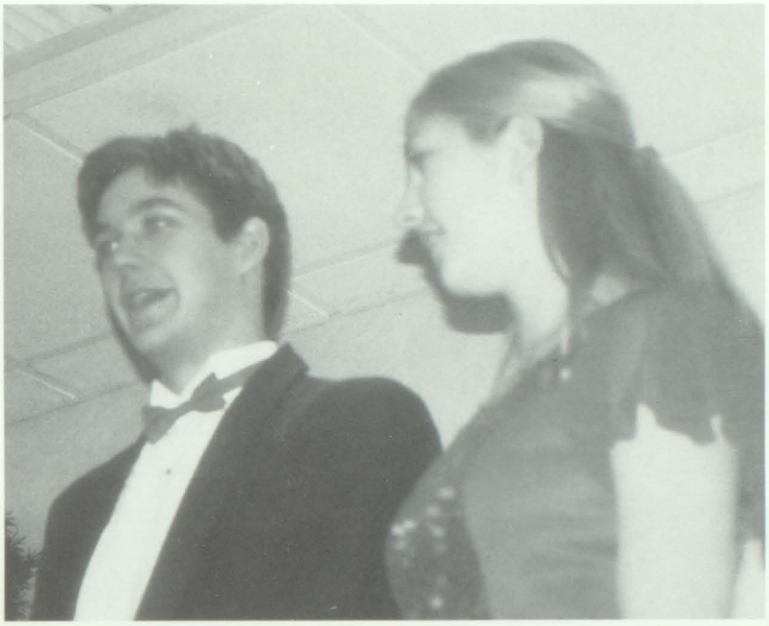


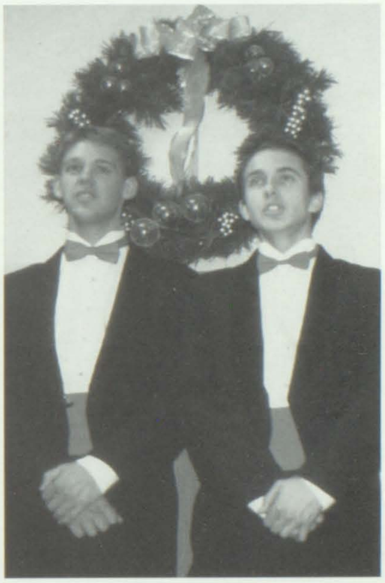
strike a *Pose*

[Right] Back to back, Cary Callison ('03) and Stewart Calhoun practice for upcoming shows.

feel the *Flow*

[Below] Paxton Rogers ('02) and Katie WIlliams ('03) entertain the crowd.



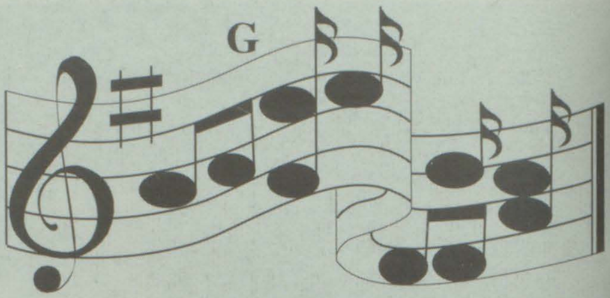


singing from the *Soul*

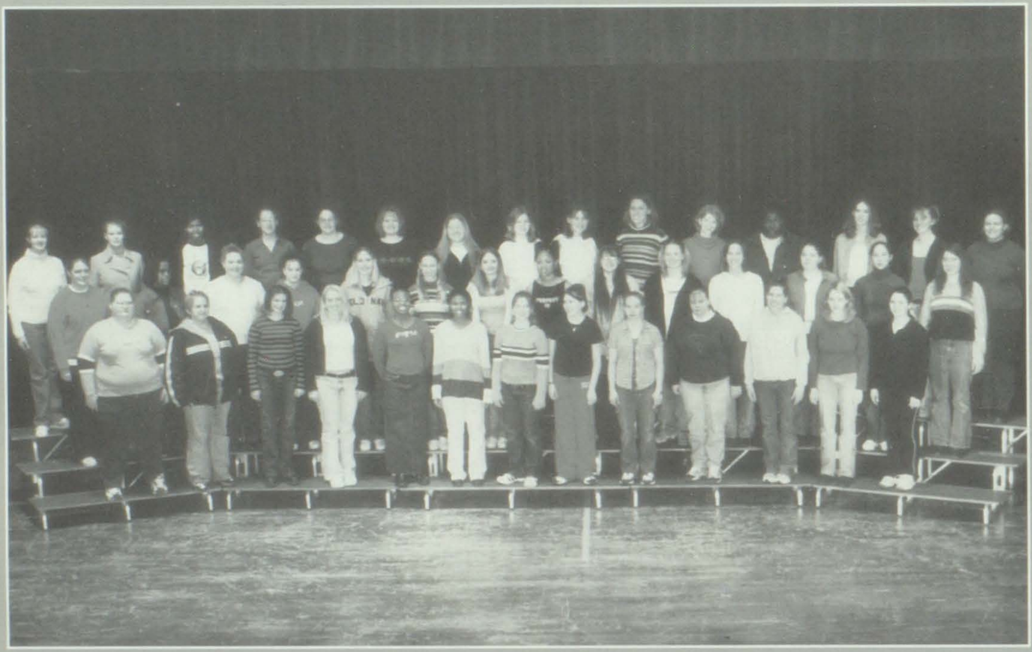
[Above] "I liked having a class full of friends where I can just sing. It's a nice break from all the other academic classes," Dan Veile ('02) said. [Left] Elbows up, Maroon Majic performs at a local nursing home. The group helps to lift up the spirits of the elderly during the holiday season.

Maroon Majic

Bringing music to the community



A Musical TOUR of Belleville West



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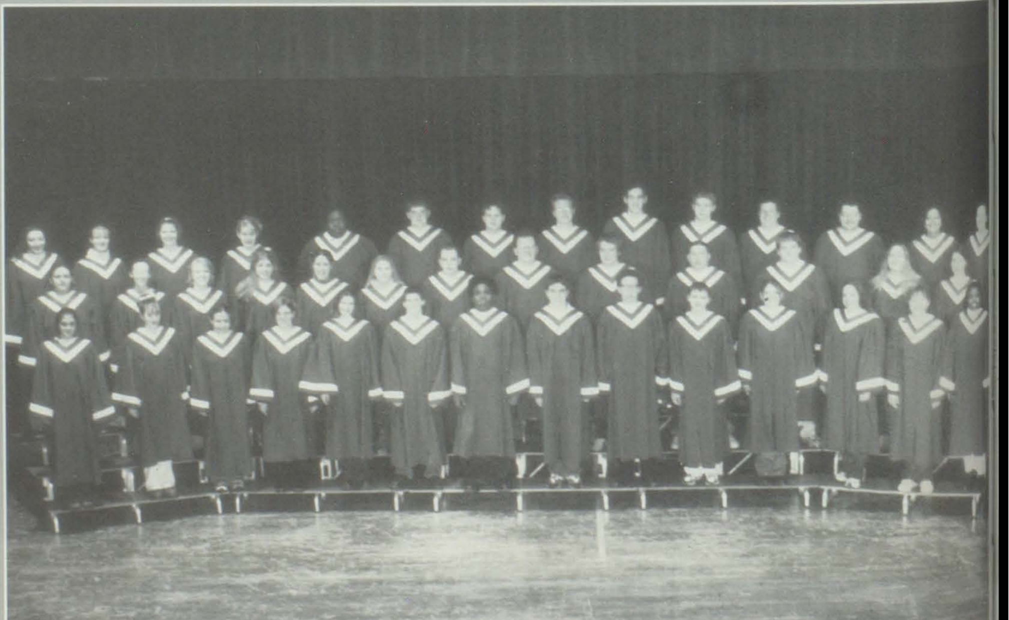

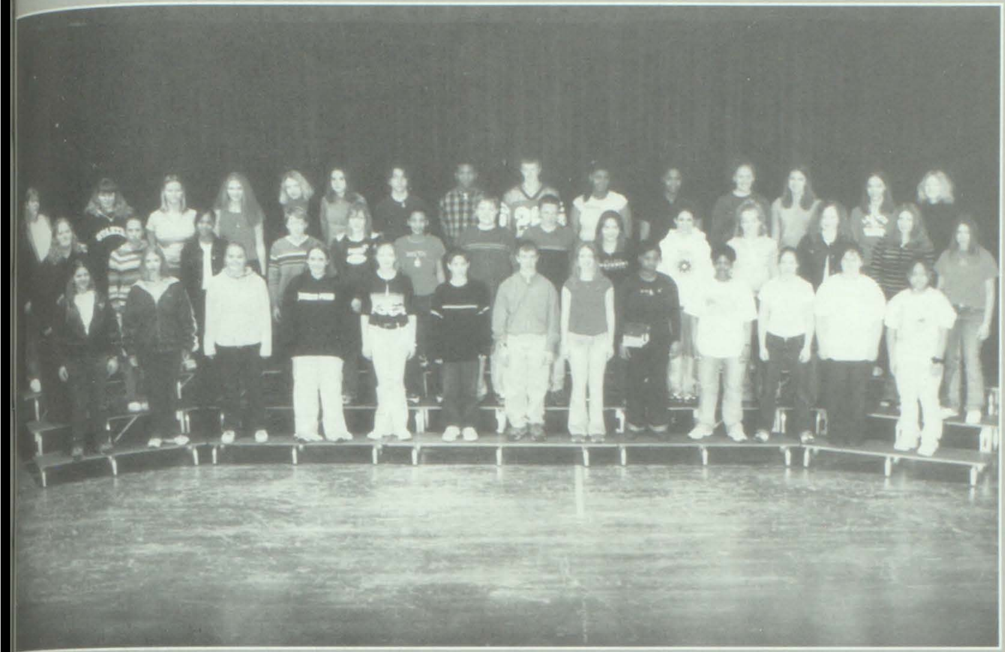

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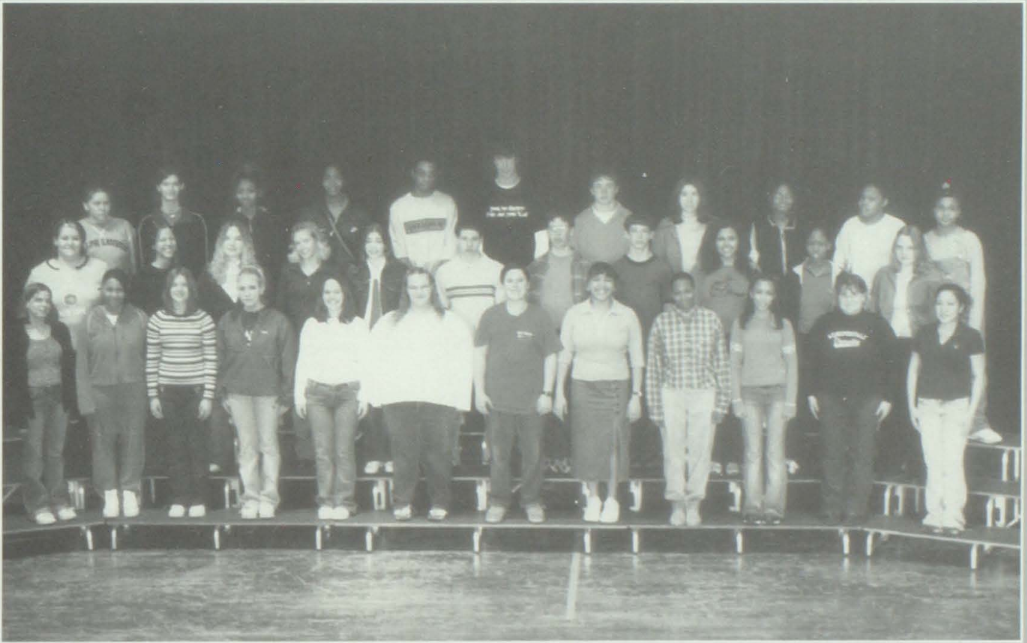

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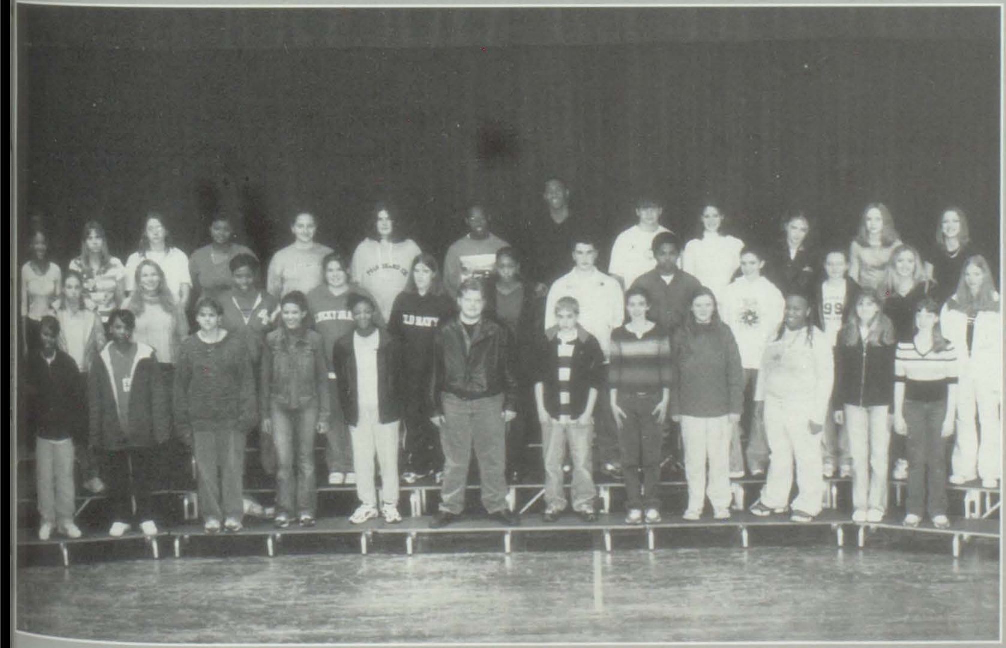

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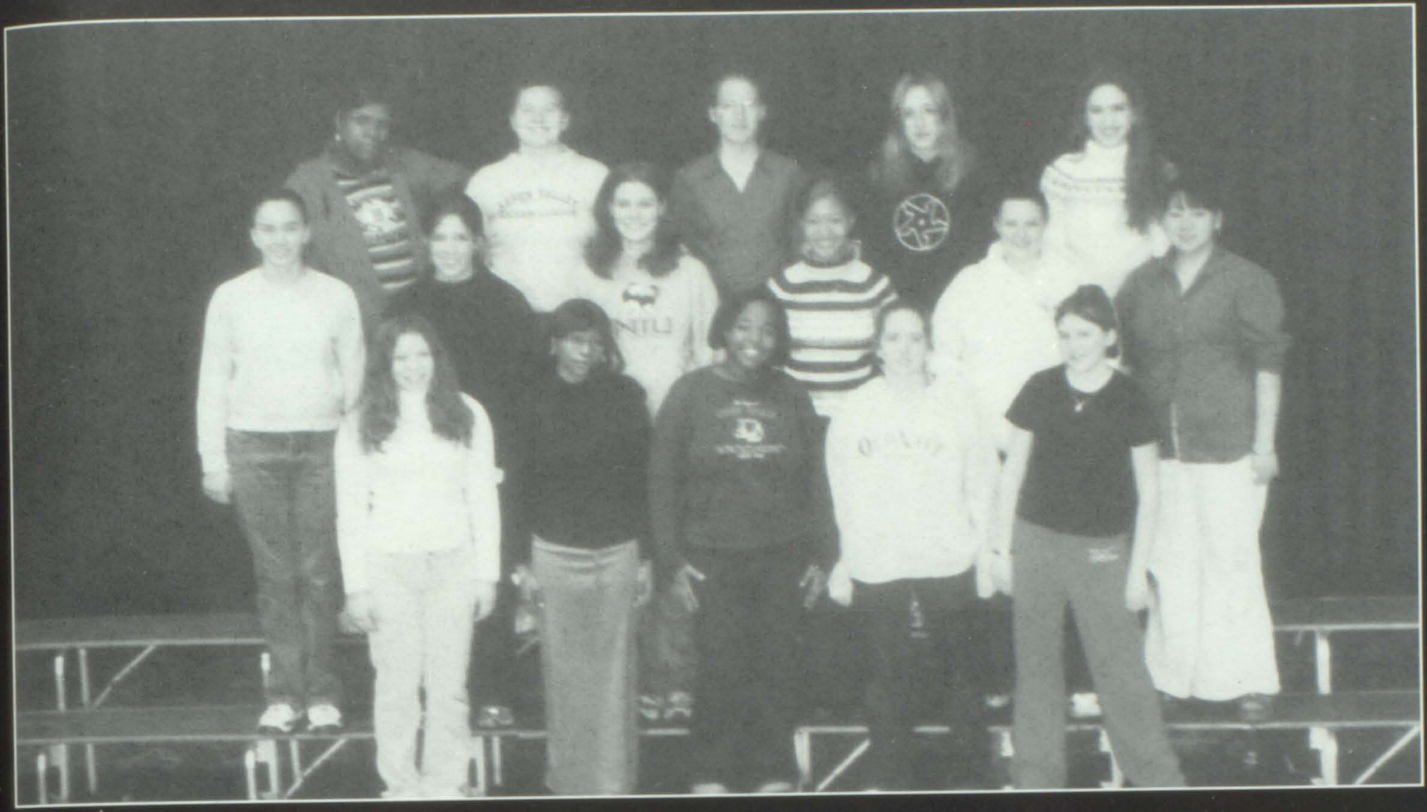
SYMPHONIC BAND (Dr. Tom Birkner, conductor)/ Front Row: Vanity Gee, Jordan Bay, Kim Noble, Sarah Dowling, Stuart Calhoun, Lisa Klingler, Meagan Gebhart, Cheryl Childress, Becca Boyer, **Second Row:** Lauren Ebel, Kara Grossman, Amber Hiebert, Nicholas Walz, John Hauver, Matt Heckman, Pam Wright, Katie Kniepkamp, John Brighton, Jessica Reuter, Melissa Schorr, Kelly Kendrick, Amy Keel, Courtney Becherer, Lisa Kadlec, **Third Row:** Justin Brady, Jessica Determan, Erin Kinney, Terra Buesking, Amanda Graves, Stacey Obst, Jon Monteith, Chuck Beem, **Fourth Row:** Paul Toenjes, Cole Leván, Andrew Garces, Alex Haentzler, Philip Cornett, Greg Little, Kevin Siddle, Amanda Schafer, Jamie Siddle, Amanda Schaefer, Jamie Hartmann, Jennalee Cook, Dan Friedrich, Andrew Kruep, Dan Veile, Dan O'Donnell, Kyle Darr, Mike Lodes, **Fifth Row:** Danielle Sturgis, Brandon White, Anthony Walker, Aaron Godard, Brian O'Donnell. Not pictured: Brandy Fish, Sarah Jones, Brayton Maine, Ryan Jeffries, Kim Hicks, Sarah Schuessler

WEST ORCHESTRA (Dr. Tom Birkner, conductor)/ Front Row: Mossie Cason, Tim Gerhart, Aaron Hummert, Amanda Parsons-Tweston, Angela Banks, Jeantielle Gonzales, Katie McManus, **Second Row:** Stephanie Harp, Nicole Yeager, Justin Stueckel, Julia Rodriquez, Amanda Taylor, Amanda Nast, Jody Hannah, Jon Brough, Lindsay Hanvey, Emily Haukup, Brittany Maine, Stacy Schneider, Jenna Palovick, Carter McKee, Laura Muren, Kelly Dyer, Greg Little, Kevin Siddle, Michael Smith, Nathan Haas, Sean Taylor, Jon Heizer, Jamie Darr, Mark Wonnacott, Tim McCullough. Not pictured: Amiee Hogg, Brayton Maine



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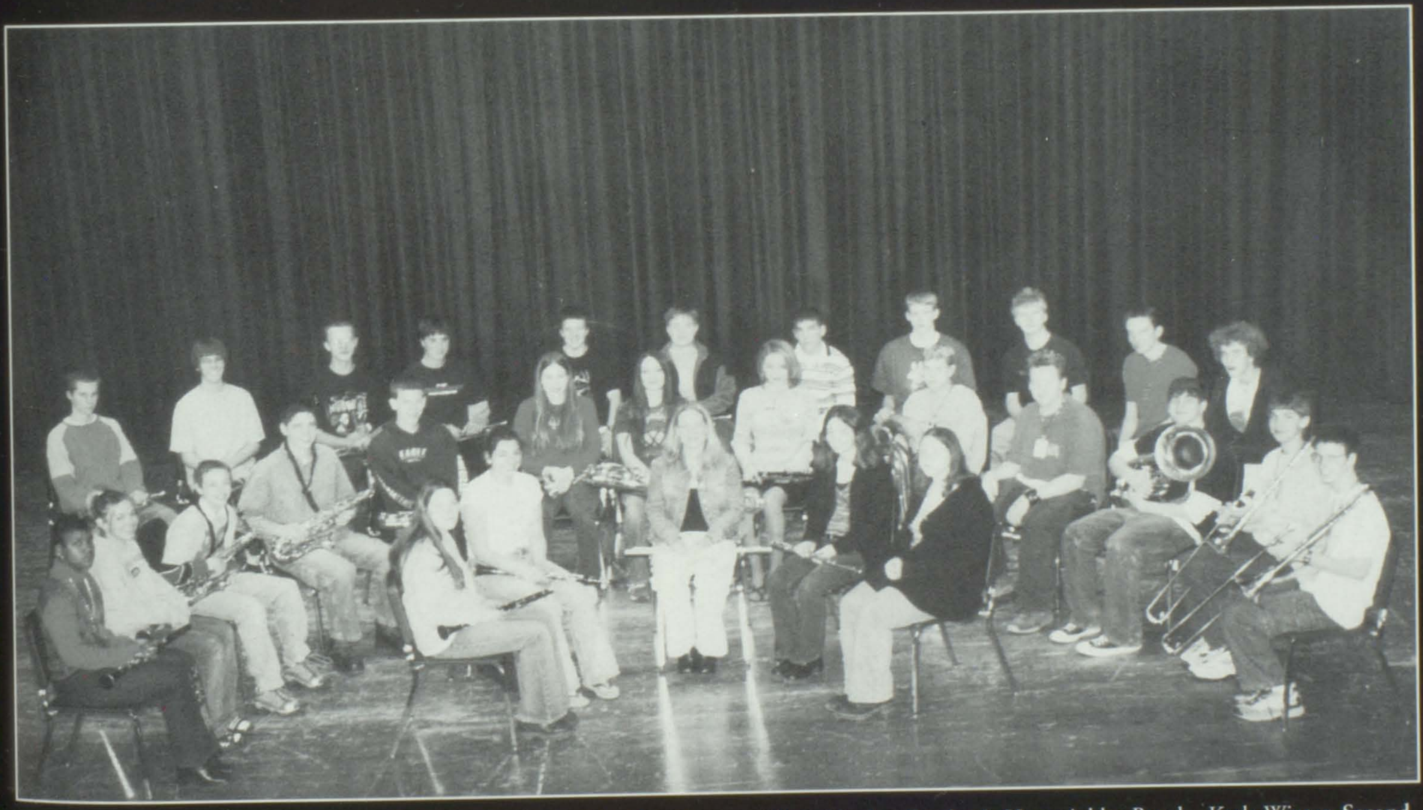

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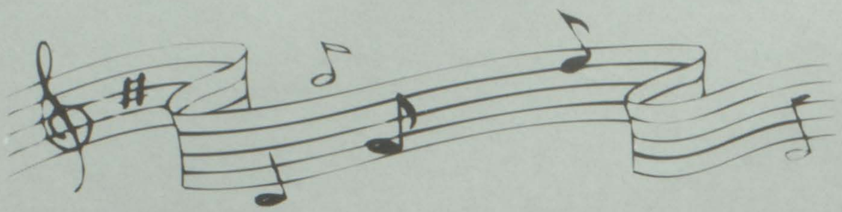

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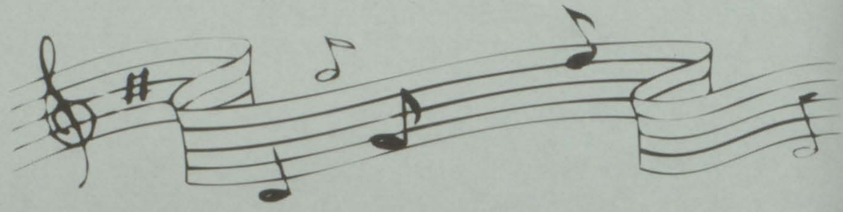

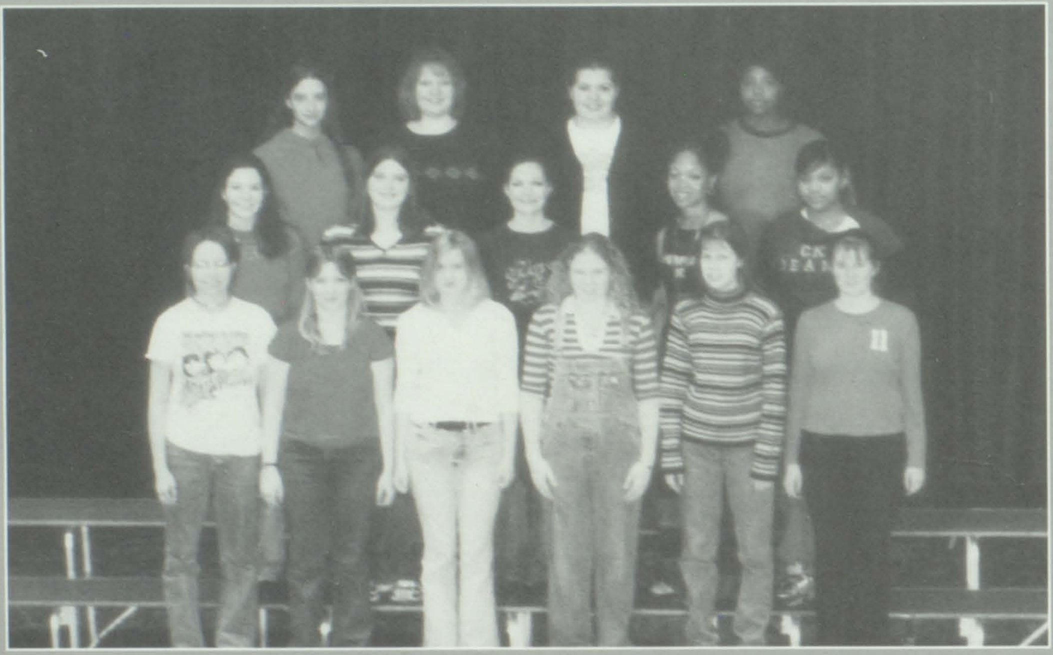

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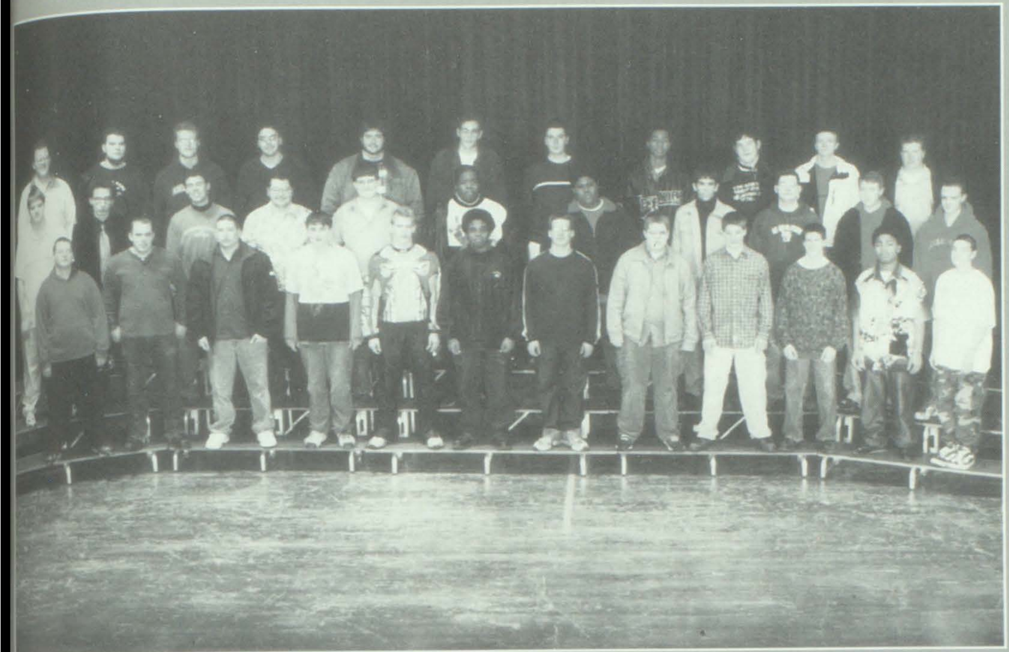

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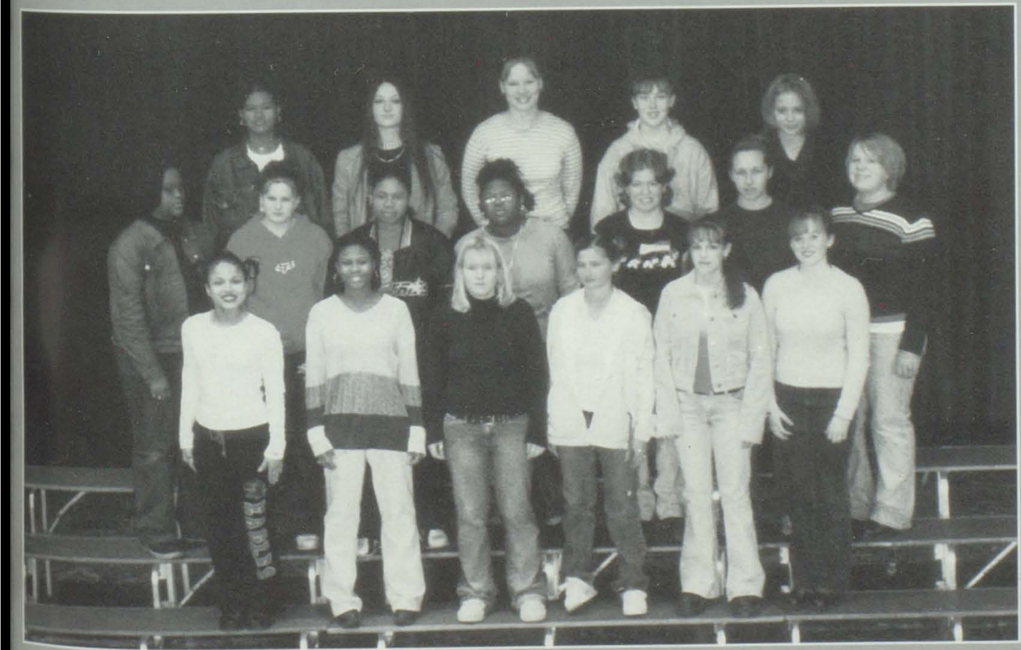

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WEST JAZZ BAND (Dr. Tom Birkner, director)/ Front Row: Kevin Siddle, John Hauver, Vanity Gee, Lisa Klingler, Jordan Bay, **Second Row:** Paul Toenjes, Max Harres, Tim Gerhart, Mike Lodes, Kyle Darr, Jon Heizer, Dan Veile, Erik Dronen, Bobby Jones. Not pictured: Ryan Jeffries, Sarah Jones, Mitchell Martin, Paxton Rodgers

4TH HOUR JAZZ ENSEMBLE (Mr. Scott Wilson, director)/ Front Row: Shawn Weigand, Leslie Obst, Mike Newman, Nate Waldrop, Jim Feucht, **Second Row:** Ben Jenkins, Anthony Walker, Rhonda Merryfield, Erik Johnson, Caitlin Hauver, Mike Smith, Jim Smallwood, Derek Hoppe, Alex Haentzler, Mike Watson, John Brighton, Carter McKee

JAZZ ENSEMBLE (Dr. Tom Birkner, director)/ Front Row: Stacey Obst, Mandy Graves, Justin Brady, Amanda Schaefer, Allyson Stovey, Adam Albers, Kevin Siddle, **Second Row:** Brian O'Donnell, Mari Castello, Jane Holtgrewe, Steven Heizer, Dan Prescott, Matt Paule, Jaime Dare, Greg Little, Steven French, Mallory Hensley, Stacey Schneider

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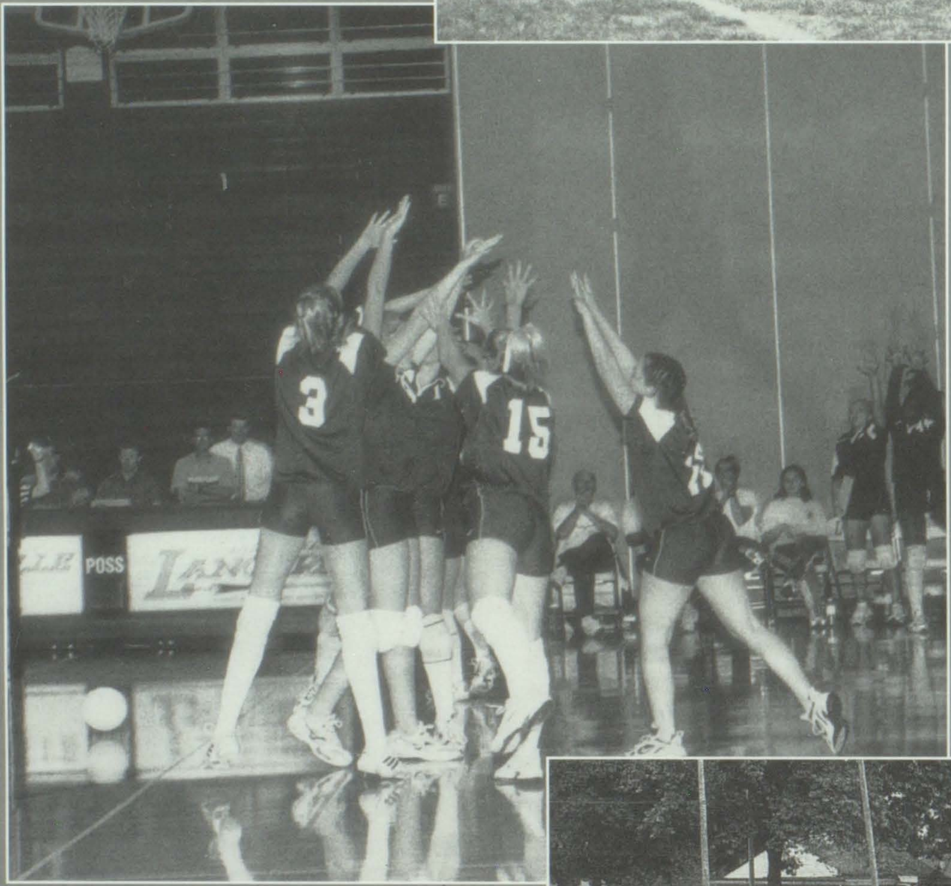
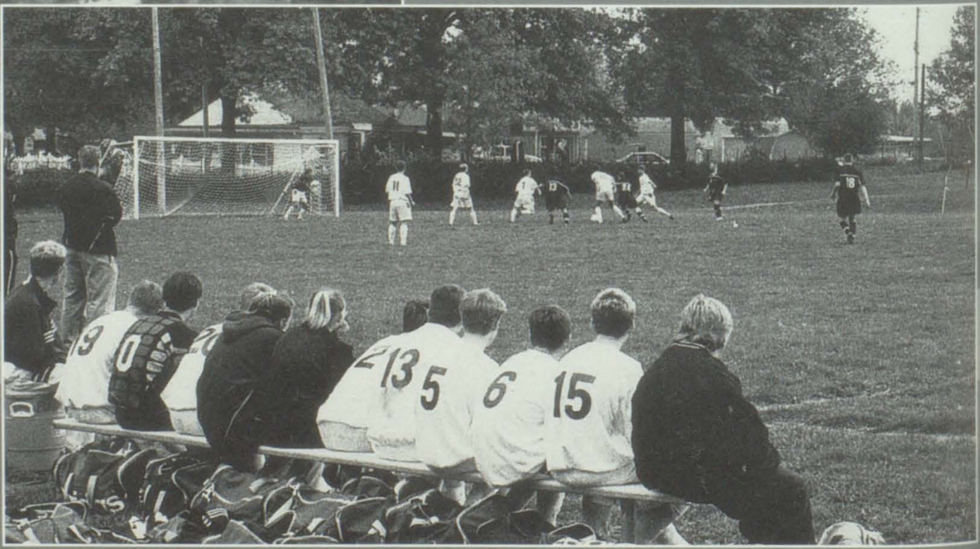


we are the *Maroons*

[Above] West prepares to face off against the Belleville East Lancers. [Left] The volleyball team slaps hands after Katelyn Panzau ('03) serves an ace. [Below] Members of the junior varsity soccer team watch from the bench as West takes on Granite City in Latterman Park.



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Front Row: Drew Perryman, Matt Dahm, Simon Stoll, Andy Renner, Clayton Clark, Andrew Altman, Dave Hardin, **Second Row:** Coach Bob Keefe, Blake Meinders, Brett Zaron, Elliot McKee, Sean Taylor, Andy Maxfield, Coach Bob Kaiser

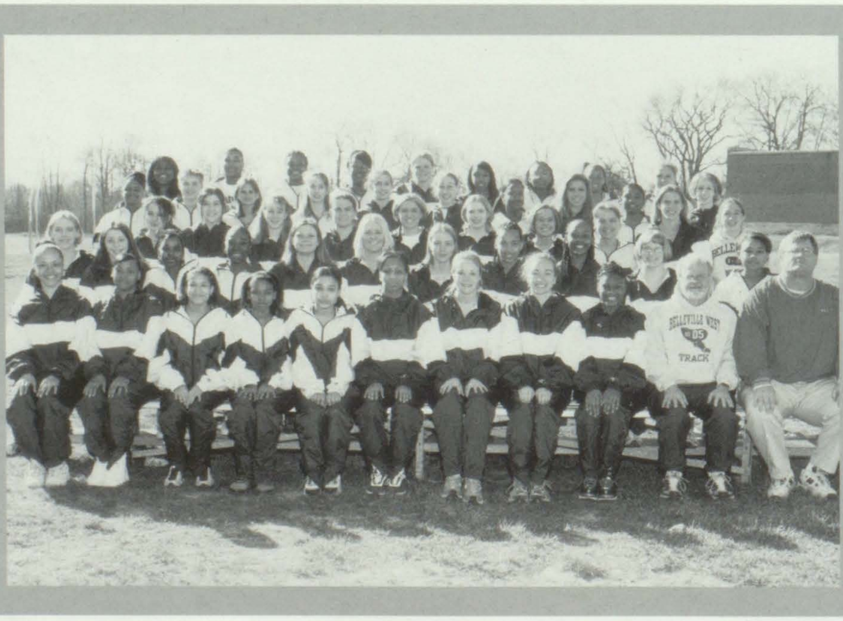
Boys' Tennis

Coach:
Bob Kaiser

Assistant Coach:
Bob Keefe

Captains:
Andy Renner
Clayton Clark
Elliot McKee

Front Row: Tiffany Chandler, Marketta Wayne, Nikki Goodman, Danielle Cotton, Mossie Cason, Ebony Ward, Suzy Fitzgerald, Jessica Jobin, Ashley Hayes, Coach Charles Rodman, Coach Phil Highsmith, **Second Row:** Jackie Foltz, Amanda Brown, Pam Eggerson, Samoria Austin, Anna Mehrtens, Rachael Huwer, Charity Lennens, Shelia Fourman, Farren Brown, Lisa Tinney, Carla Bridges **Third Row:**Jeantille Gonzalez, Angela Banks, Becky Shock, Jenny Schmidt, Lyssa Carrel, Amanda Johnston, Kelly Popp, Jenny Tinney, Christina Archibald, Christine Betz, **Fourth Row:**Latesha Shepherd, Stephanie Bobcik, Carmine Shadowsky, Kari Knobeloch, Ashlee Kreher, Caeli Kilhoffer, Brandi House, Tara Stirewalt, Sheterica Belt, Ginger Guidry, **Fifth Row:**Chry'shonda Nichols, Dantaliesha Dancy, Stacey Thompson, Ramona Jones, Renee Schmidt, Reisha Douglas, Alysa Riley, Dawn Cooks, April Fults



Girls' Track

Coaches:
Phil Highsmith
Charles Rodman
Paul James

Captains:
Christina Archibald
Christine Betz
Shelia Fourman
Anna Mehrtens
Ashley Hayes

Front Row: Allyson Stovey, Alyson Habermehl, Elise Hassall, Jessica Casey, Natalie Eiskant, **Second Row:** Emily Dehler, Christine Poston, Kelli Zike, Anna Dunn, Kelly Beshears, Emily Toenjes, **Third Row:** Erica Hagler, Kendra Campbell, Mallory Hensley, Lauren Meyer, Megan Pirson, Heather Lillis, Coach Jim Brueggeman

JV Softball

Coach:
Jim Brueggeman

Front Row: Coach Mike Moore, Jeff Hursey, Nick Borkowski, Aaron Godard, D.J. Cotton, Jamarr Tibbs, Ryan Eller, Chane Clark, Caoch Gary Weshinsky, **Second Row:** Derek Smoot, Tom Trautt, Mike Keifer, Brandon Powell, Nick Ivey, Mario Crumble, Nick Buescher, Coach Paul Galanti, **Third Row:** Robbie Ham, Carlos Greer, Kyle Dohrman, Ryan Frank, Uhlon Rich, Chris Bellm, Joe Skortz, Coach Woody Burnette, **Fourth Row:**Ryan Edgar, Darren Johnston, Joel Hogg, Eddie Austin, Brandon Buescher, Demetric Killion, Phillip Biggerstaff, Coach Woody Burnette,**Fifth Row:** Coach Larry Betz, Jedediah Hawk, Alex Williams, Robbie Wolfmeier, Thomas Haynes, Eddie Lemey, Austin Betz

Boys' Track

Coach:
Mike Moore

Assistant Coach:
Gary Weshinsky
Paul Galanti
Woody Burnette
Larry Betz

Front Row: Stephanie Harp, Beth Bauer, Lauren Richards, Jill Wolfmeier, Kristen Yates, Tiffany Tauchert, Jenni Weier, **Second Row:** Katie Wilburn, Gianna Hacker, Emily Hommell, Amy Hassard, Jamie Weier, Bobbi Zopp, Beth Henke, Beth Kmetz, Dee Weilbacher, **Third Row:** Coach Jeremy Stopka, Randi Roberts, Katie Graebe, Lisa House, Cecillia Modorelli, Laura Underhill, Jenny Vanderpluym, Emily Doll, Courtney Thielan

JV Girls' Soccer

Coach:
Jeremy Stopka

Front Row: Whitney Ehinger, Lauren Toenjes, Casey Hunter, Lyndsay Hassal, **Second Row:** Chrissy Nagel, Julie Esker, Lauren Roney, Meghan Dill, **Third Row:** Coach Bob Yagge, Randi Beare, Julie O'Donnell, Cat Ciabattoni, Jamie Bereitschaft, Coach Mark Lanxon

Varsity Softball

Coach:
Bob Yagge

Assistant Coach:
Mark Lanxon

Captains:
Casey Hunter
Elizabeth
Hudnall

Front Row: Mike Jones, Ryan Switzer, Josh Weidler, Nathan Harres, Mike Mueth, **Second Row:** Chris Schaefer, Tony Harris, Matt Germann, Ricky Kusmer, Chad Morgando, David Wagner, **Third Row:** Coach Roger Mueller, Marcus Barriger, Eric Rohr, Chris Hornbostel, Jared Hoffmann, Coach Lee Meyer, Coach Charles Hasenstab

Varsity Baseball

Coach:
CharlesHasenstab

Assistant Coach:
Roger Mueller

Front Row: Scott Feazel, Zack Rakowski, Tim Magio, Jay Martin, Alan Morgando, Todd Horn, **Second Row:** Steve Pfershy, Brandon Riley, Greg Doll, Shawn Tesh, Kevin Glaell, Cole Harris, Jon Galanti, **Third Row:** Coach Tony Duenas, Zack Wainwright, Nick Greenfield, Chris Harris, Beau Barfield, Josh Leutkemeyer, Eric Alberter, **Not Pictured:** Adam Rheim, Charles Johnston

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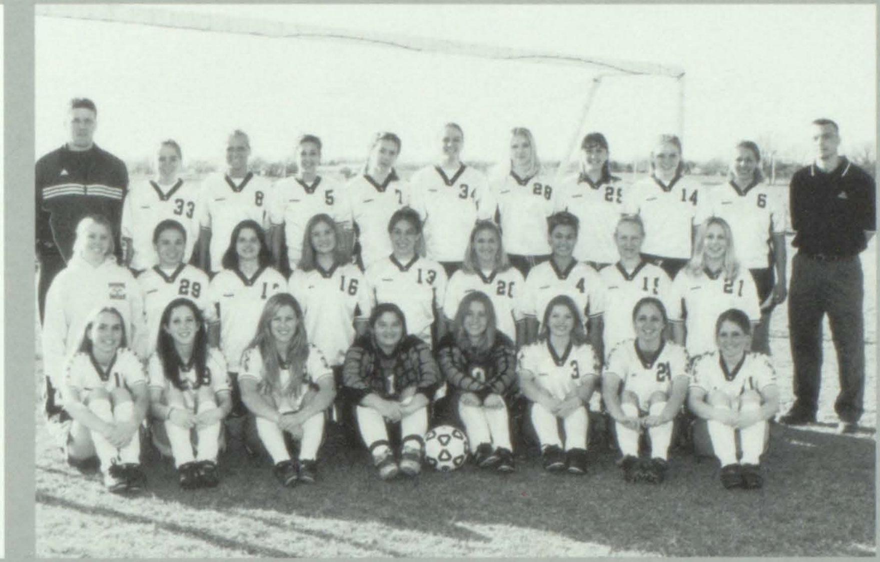
Freshmen Baseball

Coach:
Tony Duenas

Front Row: Rachael Alberter, Lissa Farquahar, Amanda Wobbe, Jennifer Klich, Jill Wolfmeier, Deanna Weilbacher, Kristin Henke, Rachel Ringsmuth, **Second Row:** Katie Wilburn, Jeanette Musial, Amy Hassard, Laura Underhill, Randi Roberts, Tiffany Anderson, Cecilia Modarelli, Jenny Vander Pluym, Courtney Tieman, **Third Row:**Coach Jeremy Stopka, Anna Musial, Becca Dietrich, Alicia Dori, Amanda Roesch, Julie Ehret, Lisa House, Megan Graul, Christian Deihl, Ashlee Knepper, Coach Jason Mathenia



Varsity Girls' Soccer

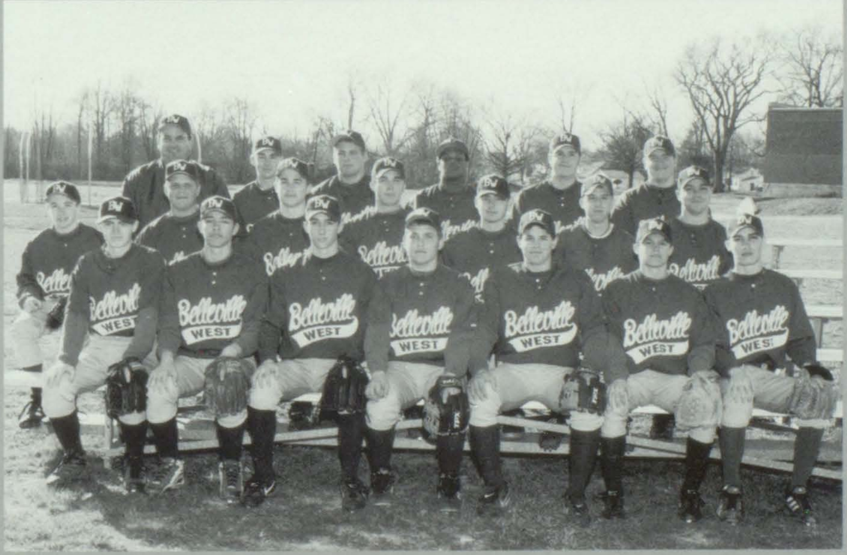
Coach:
Jason Mathenia

Assistant Coach:
Jeremy Stopka

Manager:
Kyle Zaber

Captains:
Amando Wobbe
Kristen Henke

Front Row: Kyle Koelker, Reynaldo Mendoza, Robbie Kaiser, Brandon Roberts, J.P. Elmore, Corey Scher, Dan Pietroburgo, **Second Row:** Paul Jones, Jeff Wilson, Dan Geppert, Bobby Jones, Josh Hodde, Robbie Belleville, Rick Bremer, **Third Row:** Coach Clendenin, Max Harres, Mike Meier, Dwight Holley, Eric Muckensturm, Steve Jackson



JV Baseball

Coach:
Curt Clendenin

"We had another great season thanks to Coach Clendenin and hard work from all the players."

• Dan Pietroburgo ('03)

competition *Gone*

Sophomore David Knysak proves his talent by having no one to challenge his lead. As a second year runner, Knysak added experience and skill to the team.

keeping *Pace*

Jamie Weier ('04) and Brittany Wrubel ('04) keep up the pace of the race. Both Weier and Wrubel were first year runners that helped out the team.

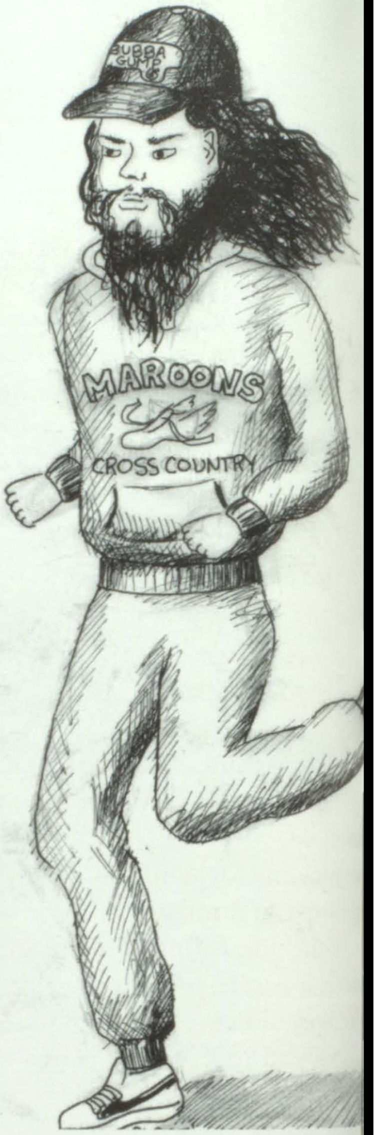
kicking up *Dust*

Travis Yates ('02) and Ryan Eller ('04) run passed their East St. Louis and O'Fallon opponenets. Eller ended his season in the top spot on the team.

Cross Country

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY/Front Row: Jill Wolfmeier, Kristin Keel, Justine Stuec
Charity Lennens, **Second Row:** Coach Roger Mueller, Shelia Fourman, Caeli Kilhoffer, A
Musial, Meghan Zahn, Jenny Weier, Coach Gary Weshinskey, **Third Row:** Britney Wru
Ferrin Brown, Ashlee Kreher, Jamie Bereitschaft, Lauren Roney, Jenee Stueckel

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY/Front Row: Nick Fulton, Nick Brockowski, Andy Maxfi
Brian Trautt, David Knysak, Tom Trautt, **Second Row:** Coach Roger Mueller, Jon Monte
Todd Horn, Tom Germann, Travis Yates, Ryan Eller, Coach Gary Weshinskey, **Third R**
Joe Skorts, Eric Alberter, Brett Wobbe, Nich Buescher, Chad Parkhurst



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Cross Country Is...

Taking the Scenic Route

The boys and girls cross country team did exceptionally well this year. All of their hard work and practicing through the hot summer paid off for them in the end. The team began practice in June and ran double sessions the week before school began.

"A big accomplishment for us this year was winning the City Championship," Junior Ashlee Kreher said.

In addition to the girls receiving the title of City Champions, the boys also shared in this title. Freshman Meghan Zahn and sophomore Ryan Eller were individually City Champions as well. This was Eller's second consecutive year to earn this title.

At the regional competition, the girls finished strong with a 5th place. This qualified them to advance to sectionals. Although the boys as a team did not qualify, Eller attended Sectionals as an individual.

This year, many new faces appeared for tryouts. Some did it to keep in shape for another sport and others simply to be involved. These new runners added a fresh new attitude to the team and kept everyone going.

Practices for the cross country team only last about an hour to an hour and a half, but they do more in that time than many other sports. They run at least 5 miles every practice, up and down downtown Belleville and around the city. They work hard everyday and for good reason. In competition, the girls run 2.5 miles and the boys run 3 miles.

Junior Jon Monteith summed up the season by saying, "Without a doubt, it is extremely hard work. It has innumerable benefits, though. Just to be able to run over 3 miles and still have enough energy within you to push on, is one of the most rewarding feelings. How many other West kids can do what we do?" • *Katie Williams*

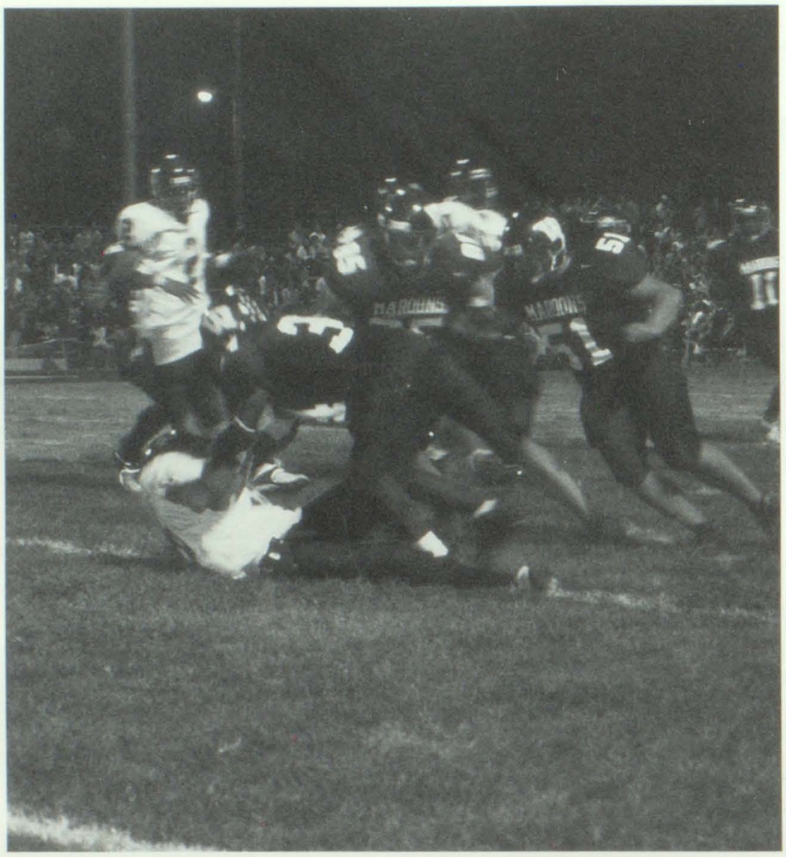
team Work

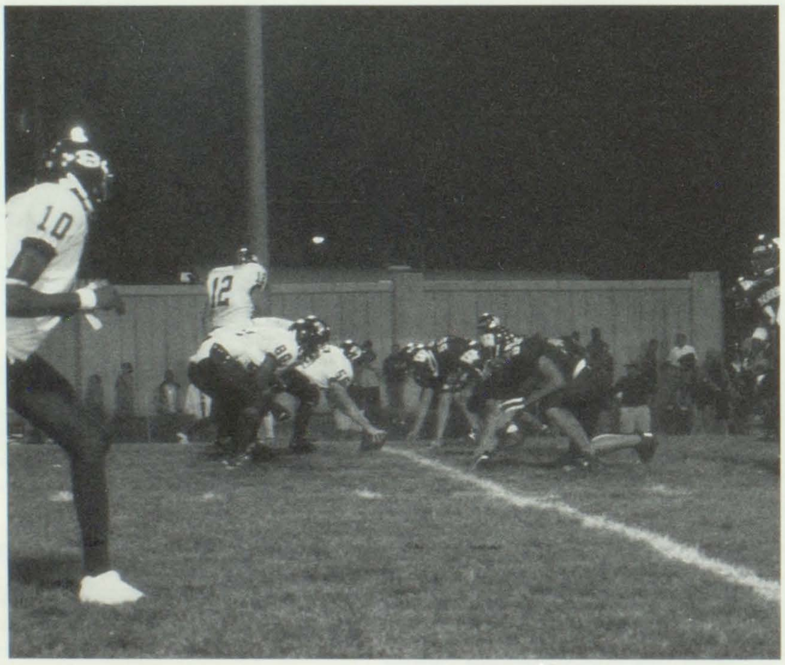
Although separate, the boys' and girls' teams are very close. They cheer each other on and keep one another running until the end.

stretching Out

The girls' cross country team stretches before their meet. Stretching is very important since they have a 2.5 mile race ahead of them.

Maroon Football





holding them Back

The Maroon's defense stops East's offense in its tracks. West's defense was very strong this year and held many teams back.

ready to Attack

On the defensive, the Maroons were ready for anything the opponents could throw at them. They were able to intercept many passes and stop other teams in their tracks.

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Year after year, fans crowd into Township Stadium to cheer on the Mighty Maroons football team. This year, fans really had something to cheer about. The team did exceptionally well this year. The biggest treat for the fans and the team was when they reached playoffs.

"We made it to playoffs for the first time in a very long time. I think that was one of our biggest accomplishments this year," junior Mike Meier said.

"We definitely pulled together as a team and that helped us make it as far as we did," junior Reynaldo Mendoza said.

Besides playoffs, the team had many victories that meant a lot to the team. Their win over city rival Althoff hadn't been expected and hadn't happened for the last several years. However, the team pushed through the entire game and came out on top. They also came from behind in their game against O'Fallon and won, qualifying them for the playoffs.

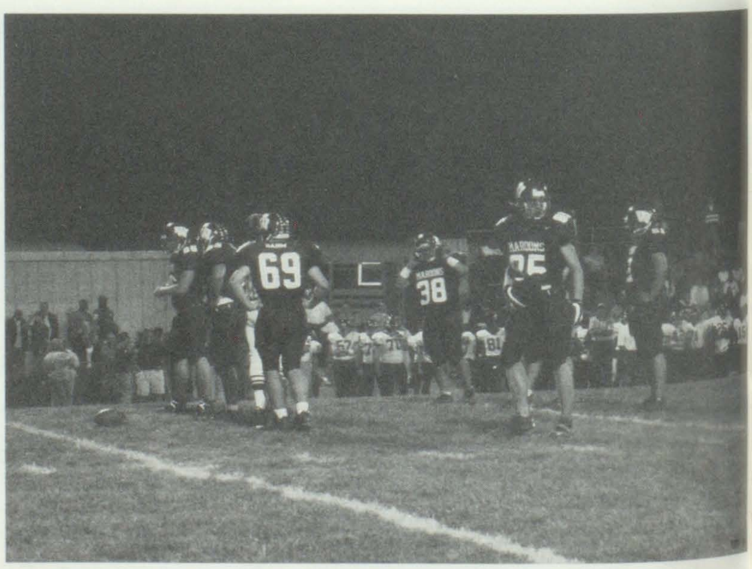
Many factors contributed to the team's success. Head coach, Dennis Snep, as well as their many assistant coaches pushed the team to their limits every practice and kept them training even during the off-season. A new edition to the team, senior place-kicker Kyle Zaber, also added a lot to the team.

"I really enjoyed being on the team and I am glad that I could contribute something. I had a lot of fun this year kicking for the team," Zaber said.

The team ended with a 5-5 record. However, they plan to improve on this next year. They hope to have a winning record as well as win the City Championship, which includes beating Althoff and Belleville East, and advance further in the playoffs.

Preparation to reach these goals began right at the season's end. The entire team has been in the weight room every day after school and keeps in shape by running the stadium stairs and track. The coaches also hold training sessions after school where they run sprints and do conditioning drills.

"We are really going to push ourselves in the weight room this off-season. We are going to have to be very strong to compete next year and accomplish all that we want to," Meier said. • *Randi Roberts*



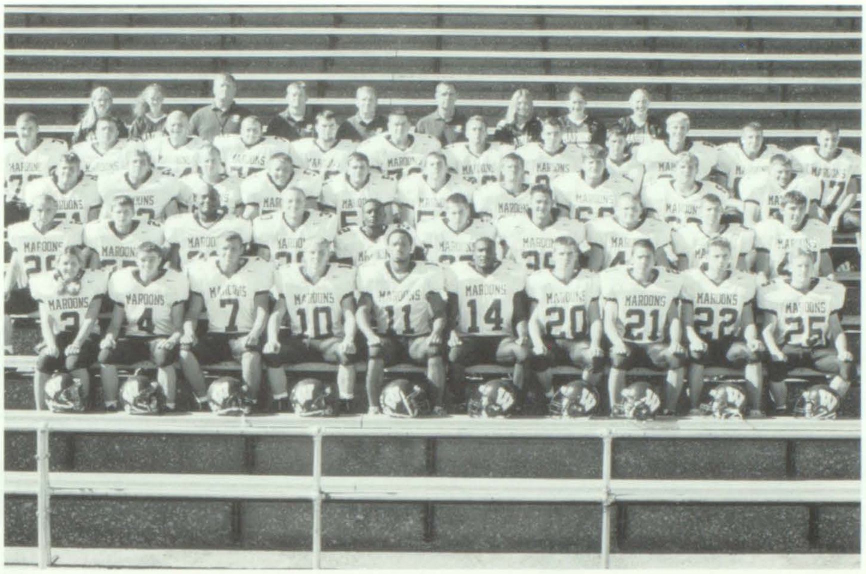
huddle Up

The team anxiously awaits a play to be called from the sidelines. With all the plays the team runs, it is difficult for any opponent to catch on.

Tackling the Destination

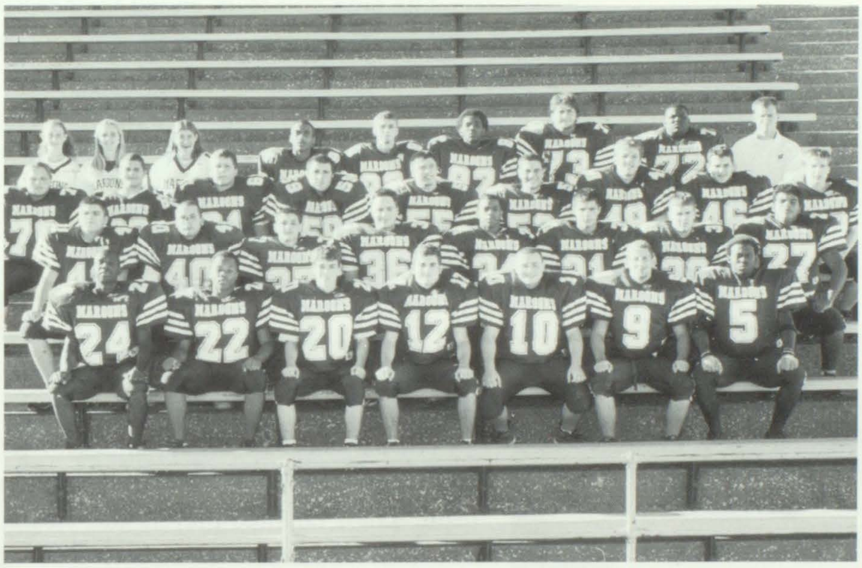
vasristy Football

Varsity Football/Front Row: Ashley Knepper, Chris Bellm, Jay Martin, Dusty Carpenter, Guillermo Davis, Patrick Watson, Kieth Meyer, Reynaldo Mendoza, Bobby Jones, Johnny Rybicki, **Second Row:** Josh Weidler, Joel Esker, Mario Crumble, Brian Noltkamper, Uhlon Rich, Brian Roney, Mike Barton, Cory Ford, Brian Gould, Chris Schaeffer, **Third Row:** Mike Meier, John Garrett, Alex Williams, Lance Mayer, Dan Friedrich, Nick Ivey, Rich Kaemmerer, Sean McPeak, Jeremy Dahm, Darren Johnston, **Fourth Row:** Chris Kramer, Jeremy Wade, Steffen Visk, Matt Monken, Krey Leesman, Steve Jackson, Mike Rausch, Ryan Frank, James Forbes, Jake Holtgrewe, Dan Loftus, J.C. Moderelli, Managers Becca Meyer, Tricia Rausch, Coach Phil Highsmith, Coach Fritz Holcomb, Coach Mark Lanxon, Coach Dennis Snep, Managers Tia Franklin, Liz Zychlewicz, Stephanie Holland



soph. Football

Sophomore Football/Front Row: Charles Gardner, Charles Sanders, John Walden, Justin Huwer, Dustin Hotle, Matt Wade, Montez Murphy, **Second Row:** Charles Eilers, Spencer Pensoneau, Kris Muskopf, Ryan Edgar, Derrik Smoot, Steve Lodes, Mark Parrott, Kellen Davis, **Third Row:** Jason Grieve, Jeff Hartman, Bill Simmons, Dave Harbison, Ryan Heidenfelder, Beau Barfield, Terry Stark, Adam Rhein, Kipp Yancy, **Fourth Row:** Managers Patricia Rausch, Becca Meyer, Elizabeth Zychlewicz, Cortez Lilton, Gary Powers, Marquee Smith, Tony Melching, Jordan Edwards, Coach Kristopher Stephens



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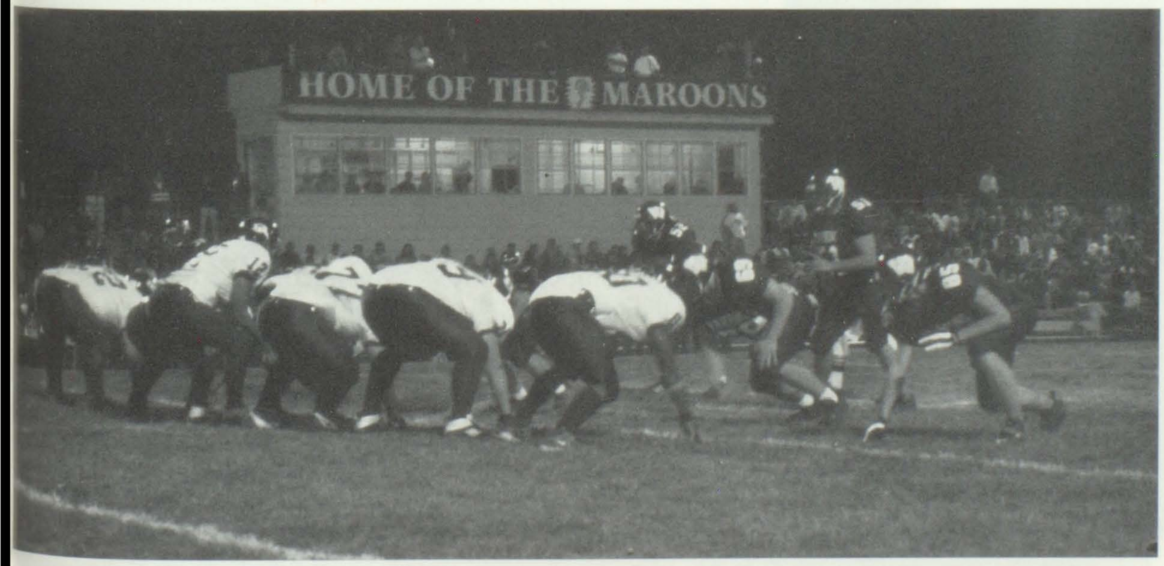
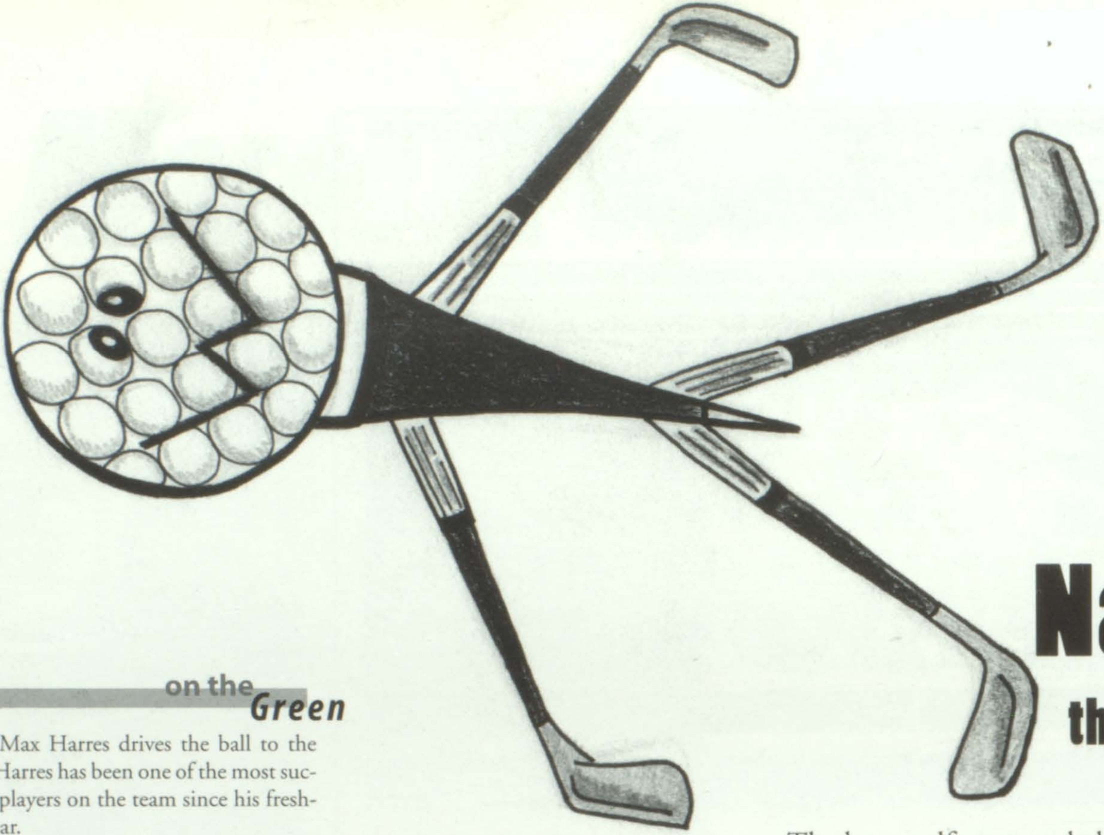
supportive Fans

Senior Jake Holtgrewe waves to the crowd at the Maroons Are Great assembly. The football team participates in many assembly games to get everyone ready for the season.



hut! hut! Hike!

West lines up against East and prepares for play. West's offense had many new plays this year and a talented offense to run them.



Navigating the Course

The boys golf team ended their season with an impressive 9 3 record. The season was brought to a start with the St. Clair Tournament. Here they took first place for the second consecu tive year.

The team is led by junior and captain Max Harres. He seemed satisfied with the team's performance this year. Harres, who has been a varstiy golfer since his freshman year, helped their improvement tremendously.

"All of our scores at the tournaments improved since last year. We seemed very focused and we performed at the top of our game. I was very proud of our team as a whole," Harres said.

Seniors Chris Hornbostel, Scott Marchand, Eric Rohr and Brandon Webster also added their experience and skill to the team. These talented players and Coach Clayton Fischer's direction helped the team achieve new goals and receive new honors.

At every practice the players learn something new. They practice hard and it seems like this year their hard work paid off. They proved that they could be one of the best teams in th area.

At the Mascoutah Invitational, the team brought home a first place finish. Then, Regionals let them show off their talents again and they ended in third place. This gave them th chance to compete at the state competition. All of the players did well here and Erice Rohr reached a goal and finished withi the top 25 golfers in the tournament.

With all of their dedication working for them, it is no surprise that they ended the season with a winning record and many individual awards.

"Overall, I think it was a big accomplishment for us to mak it to state. Not very many people think that we could do it. W never really expected it. We had a really good season and I'm definitely looking forward to another one next year," Harres said. -Katie Williams

on the Green

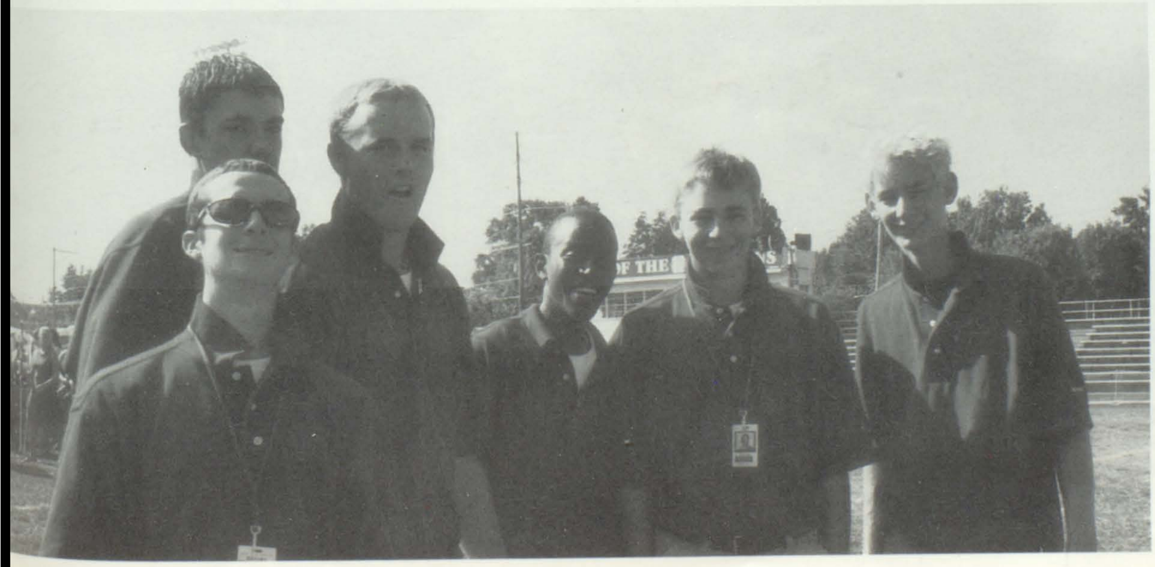
Junior Max Harres drives the ball to the green. Harres has been one of the most successful players on the team since his freshman year.

Boys' Golf

The boys' varsity golf team had an impressive year. They ended with a winning record, and each player had an individual victory within the season.

BOYS' VARSITY GOLF/Front Row: Dallas Cook, James Sperry, Chris Hornbostel, Eric Rohr, Tyler Schey, Max Harres, Scott Marchand, Coach Clayton Fischer; **Not Pictured**: Brandon Webster

BOYS' JUNIOR VARSITY GOLF/Front Row: Paddy McPeak, Chip Suess, Jared Stueckel, Nick Rohr, Brandon Lybarger, Jacob Borsch, **Second Row:** Kyle Dent, Mark Marifian, Mike Knaus, Blaine Taylor, John Heffernan, Justin Schmidt, Kyle Wilburn, Christian Tiemann, **Third Row:** Scott Gudmestad, Derek Roberts, Mike Boaz, Jay Johnston, Tim Brooks, Jared Rogers, Erik Render, Jimmy Smallwood



team work is *Key*

The Varsity team stands as they are announced at the Maroons are Great assembly.

Girl's GOLF

A TRIP TO THE GREEN

The girls' golf team enjoyed a very successful season. They finished out the season with an overall record of 12-4 and third place in the conference.

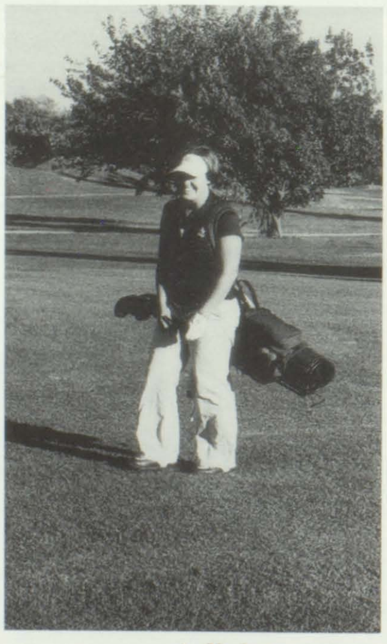
"We all played to the best of our abilities this year and we definitely saw results from it," senior Shannon Strobo said.

The team as a whole placed well in many tournaments this year as well. In the Belleville East Invitational at Yorktown, the team finished fourth place with an overall score of 264. Also, in the Southwestern Conference Tournament, they came home with a third place finish and a score of 387.

Each girl indiviually accomplished something for the team. Senior Erica Weible had the low average for the year and Brittany Schwartz made first team All Conference. • *Jennifer Schmidt*

sinking the Putt

Junior Courtney Becherer lines up for a putt. Becherer received many honors this year including a 14th place finish at the Conference Tournament with a score of 99.



leading the Pack

Senior Erica Weible shows her personality on the course. Weible was 1st team all conference, 2nd team all area, had the lowest average on the team for the year and was a medal winner at three of the team's tournaments.

tallying Points

Senior Rachel Huwer totals her points during one of the team's many tournaments. Overall, they ended third in the conference and had a 12-4 record.

strong Bonds

Sophomore Shannon Vallowe and senior Jennifer Schmidt hug between drives. Vallowe received third team All Conference and advanced to sectionals as an indiviual.

driving the Ball

Senior Jennifer Schmidt drives the ball to the green. Schmidt improved her 9 hole average nearly 14 points from a 64.4 her freshman year to 50.8 this year.

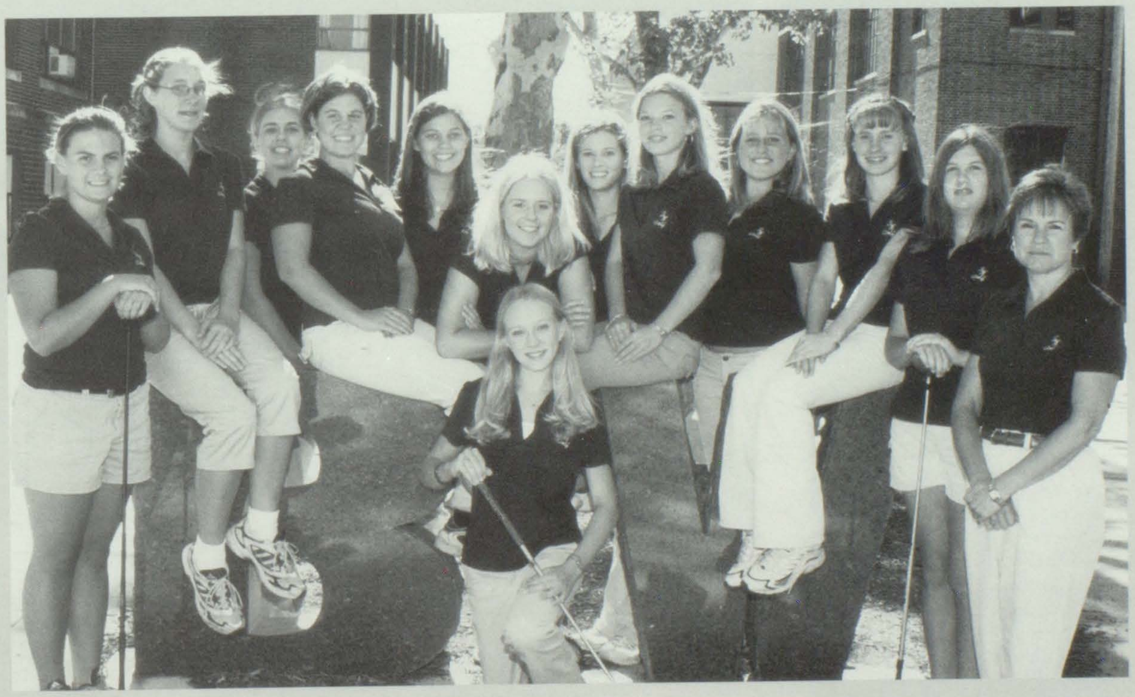
on the Green

Senior Rachel Huwer chips closer to the hole. Huwer improved her 9 hole average from 61.1 her freshman year to 51.5 this season.

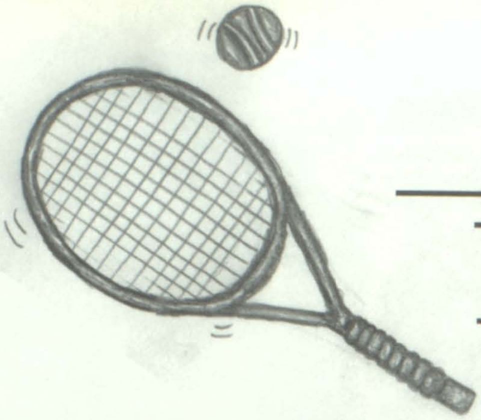
off the Course

The team poses at Awards Night in Coach Baldus' room. Coach Baldus prepared a book about the season for each of the girls that contained their records and stats.

The team ended the season this year with an overall record of 12 wins and 4 losses and a conference record of 3 wins and 2 losses. They also finished third in the Conference.

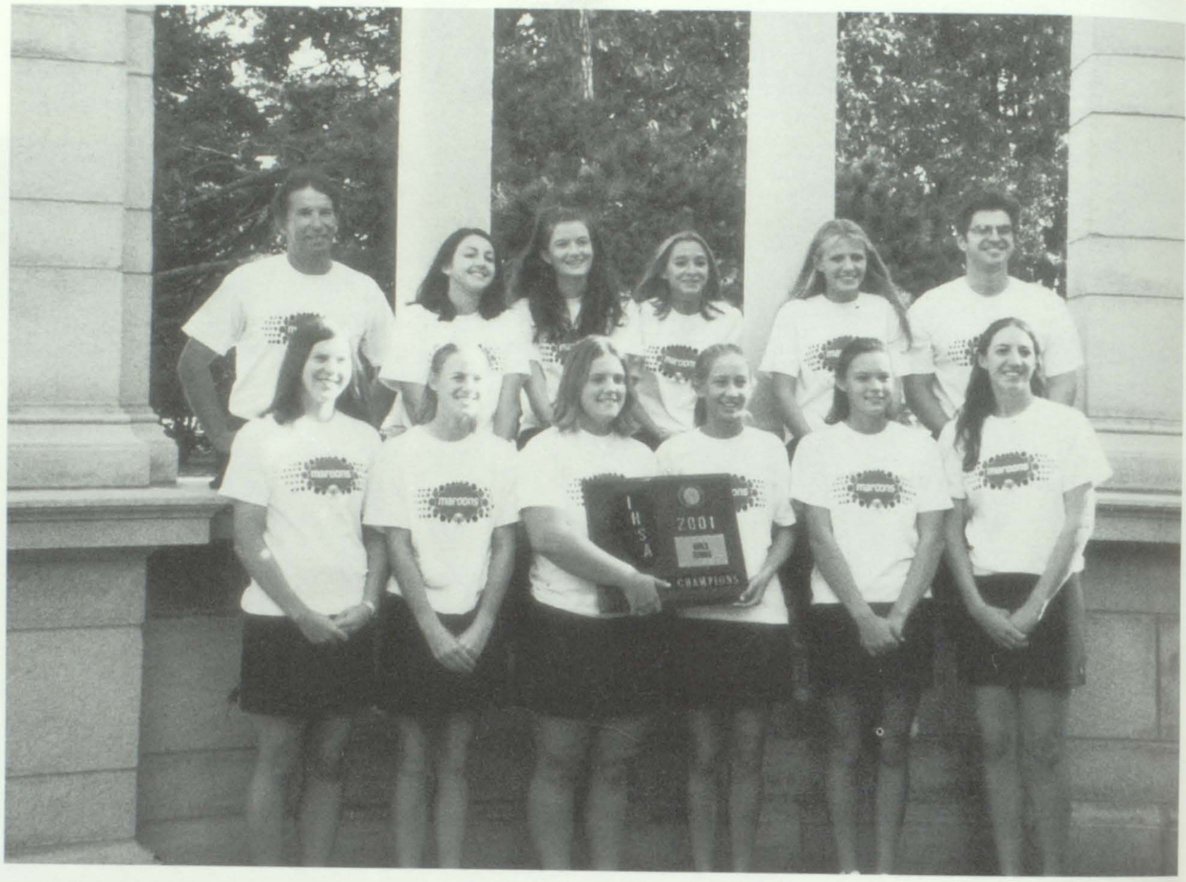


GIRLS' VARSITY GOLF/Front Row: Courtney Becherer, **Second Row:** Jennifer Schmidt, Erin Darte, Shannon Strobo, Erica Weible, Rachel Roberts, Rachel Huwer, Brooke Hanvey, Deanna Weilbacher, Brittany Schwartz, Shannon Vallowe, Genny Shannon, Coach Kathleen Baldus



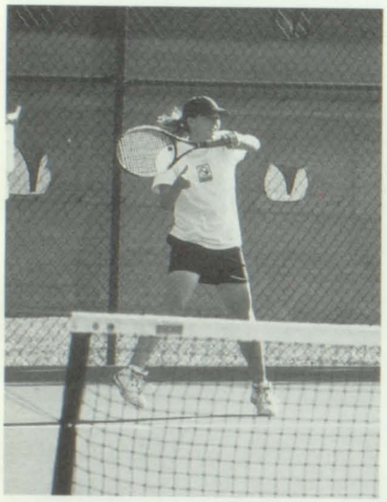
shining Stars

The Varsity Tennis Team shows off their new IHSA Sectional Championship plaque. On top of this honor, they won many other tournaments this season.



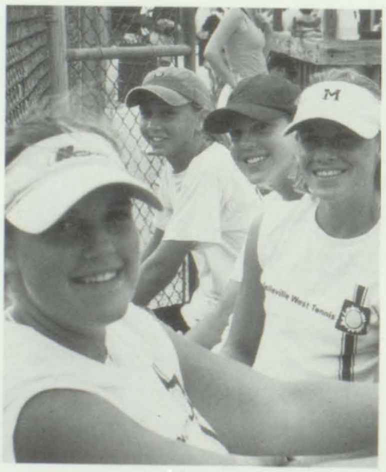
powerful Passes

Junior Chrissy Nagel returns a volley during a dual meet against Althoff. Nagel was one of the few juniors to compete at the varstiy level.



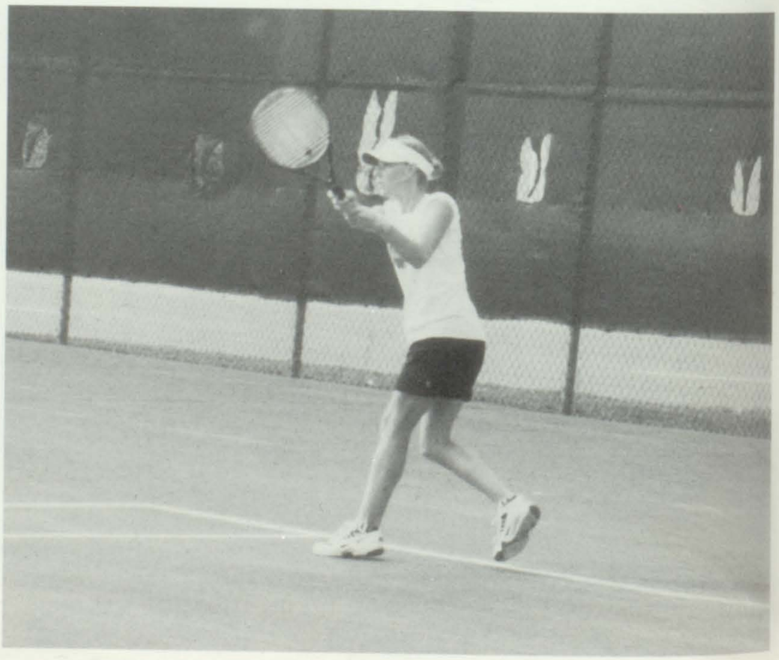
picture Time

Senior Lindsey Irwin, juniors Jamie Wiess, and Chrissy Nagel, and sophomore Mari Costello rest in between matches at a tournament. Tournaments take a lot of time and energy and the girls must be rested to be able to compete.



wimbledon Bound

Senior Lindsey Irwin returns a serve to her opponent. Irwin got the chance to play tennis in Texas over the summer to prepare for this season.



Ace Marks the Spot

Girls' Tennis

The L:ady Maroons tennis team ended the season with an undefeated dual meet record of 10-0, which led to a first place finish in the SouthwesternConference.

The girls were very successful in tournaments this year also. The team placed in the Champaign Centennial, the Great Eight Championship at the University of Missouri, the Bloomington Purple Invitational and the Southwest Conference Tournament. They also received first in many prestigious tournaments like the Bloomington Gold Invitational, the Belleville East Invitational and the Belleville East Sectional.

"We all worked really well together this year. We cheered each other on in tough matches and it makes a big difference when everyone works as a team," sophomore Mari Costello said.

For many players, their season doesn't start or end the same as the school season. Most of the girls play all through the year. They also keep in shape throughout the season by running and lifting weights. Many even travel to get the chance to play at higher levels and learn new techniques.

"I spent three weeks in Texas and played five hours a day right before tryouts to get ready for the season," senior Lindsey Irwin said.

One of the biggest accomplishments for this team was their 10th place finish at the IHSA State Tournament.

"I had special pride for the way these girls played considering the number of seniors that graduated last year. They worked exceptionally hard and had a tremendous work ethic and positive team attitude throughout the season. This season turned out to be a lot of fun," Coach Bob Keefe said.

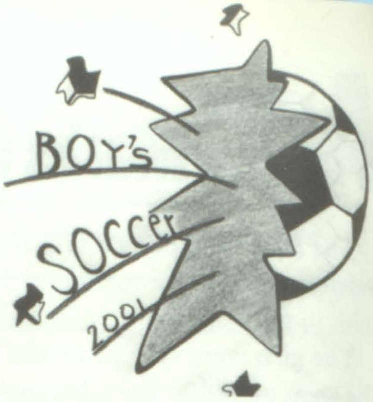
• *Randi Roberts*

GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS/Front Row: Coach Bob Keefe, Lindsey Irwin, Christine Betz, Coach Joe Lombardi, **Second Row:** Stephanie Wolf, Chrissy Nagel, Lindsey Stegmeyer, Jamie Weiss, Mari Castello, Sarah Glueck, Lisa House, Heather Lemmon, Laura Tiernan, Anne Wells, Jessica Graul, **Third Row:** Jill Frierdich, Laura Fite, Jenna Gass, Rachel Glueck, April Heise, Meagan Graul, Samantha Kaiser, Mikala Masterson, **Fourth Row:** Monica Weilbacher, Julia Rodriguez, Emily Magrath, Alyson Habermehl,Katie Wilburn, Nikki Kirk, Elise Hassal

supper *Time*

Coaches Keefe and Lombardi take the team out for a victory dinner after a tournament. Although tough at practices, the coaches add a lot to the success of the girls.

Victories Across *the* GLOBE



With a record of 14-7-2, the boys' soccer team ended the season with the best record since 1978. "This year everyone seemed to be playing to win, and we had success by doing this," senior Kyle Zaber said.

The team advanced in the CYC tournament for the first time in West history. The boys also captured the championship at the Alton tournament by defeating Alton Marquette in the championship game. Alton Marquette was ranked in the top five of the St. Louis area polls and previously only had one loss.

"I had been looking forward to this year since my first year here at West. We had a very good team and a great bunch of guys that were a pleasure to coach. We had a successful season although it did not end the way we would have liked. I think the guys deserved more than what they got," varsity coach Jason Mathenia said.

Many members of the Belleville West team were recognized for individual honors. Senior Kyle Zaber was named to the All State first team, the All State Conference first team and the Alton All Tournament team. Senior Todd Davis made the All Sectional first team, All Conference first team and the Alton All Tournament team. Junior Brad Dietrich was named to the Alton All Tournament team as well as the All Conference third team along with junior Matt Dahm. Juniors Joe Gross and Corey Scher made the All Conference second team. • *Randi Roberts*

ahead of the *Game*

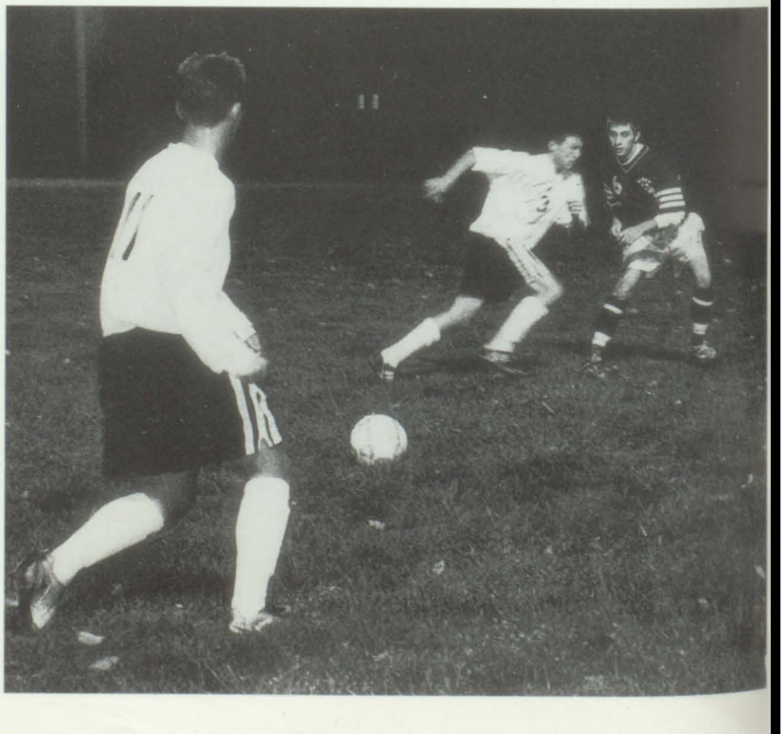
Sophomore Dustin Robertson gets a head above the competition and returns the ball to Maroon posession. Many players really use their head in this game.

faking them *Out*

Sophomore Shawn Zanders weaves his way through defenders with his fancy footwork and quick moves. Zanders also added speed and experience to the team.

chasing a *Goal*

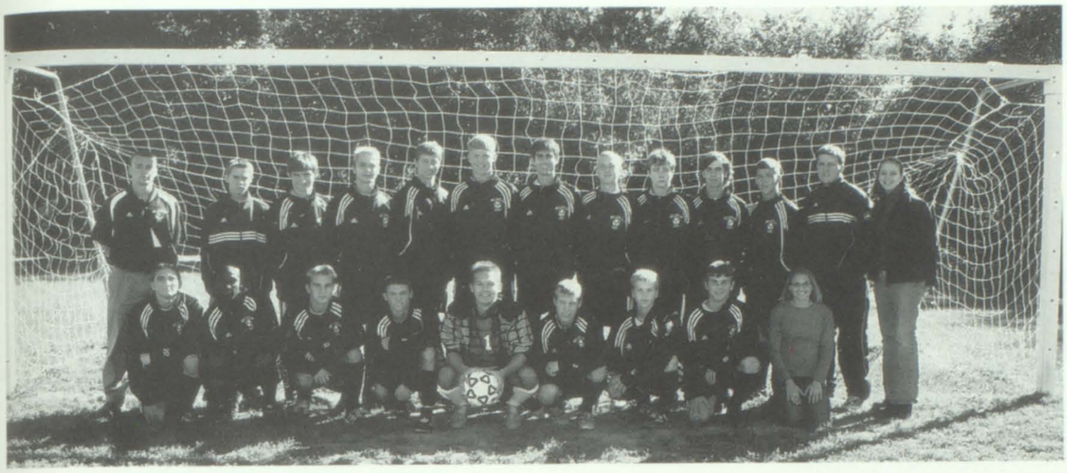
Sophomore Dustin Robertson chases after his opponent and a ball. The team attributes much of its success to its quick offense and ability to beat other teams to the ball.



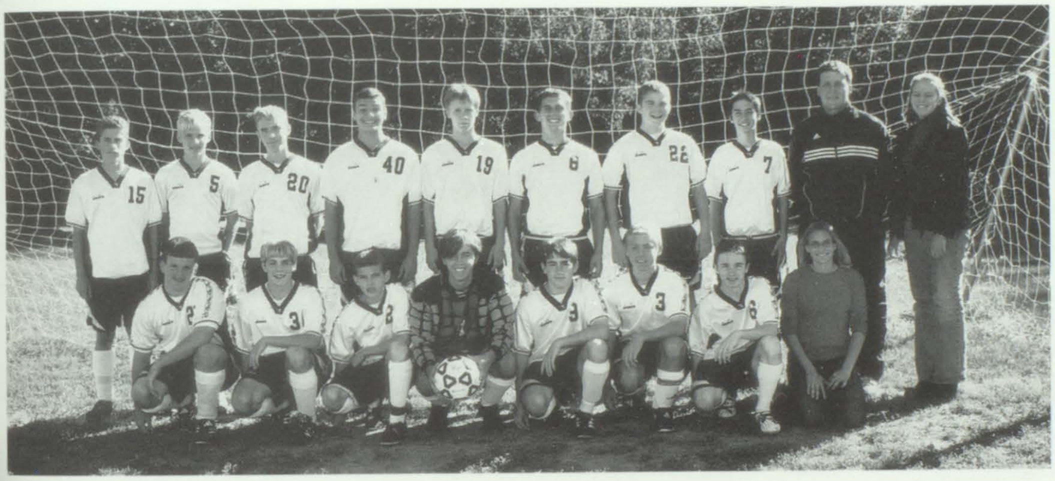
perfect *Pass*

Junior Corey Scher runs passed his defender to receive the pass from junior Mark Young. Scher and Young were intrical parts in the varsity line up.

Boys' Soccer



BOYS' VARSITY SOCCER/Front Row: Tim Bunetic, Shawn Zanders, Mark Young, Corey Scher, Brad Dietrich, Shawn Taylor, Cole Harris, Andrew Beil, manager Tiffany Anderson, **Second Row:** Coach Jason Mathenia, Josh Brownfield, Sean Neighbors, Todd Davis, Matt Dahm, Joe Gross, Kyle Zaber, Justin Krampf, Mike Schinner, Drew Weber, Dustin Robertson, Coach Jeremy Stopka, manager Julie Ehret



BOYS' JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER/Front Row: Ryan Parker, Jeff Hursey, Mike Lanter, Drew Weber, Mike Kadlec, John Brown, Paul Jones, manager Tiffany Anderson, **Second Row:** Andrew Vollmer, A.J. Holten, David Hardin, Mike Keifer, Chris Thomas, Kyle Dohrman, Brett Rogers, Tim Maggio, Coach Jeremy Stopka, manager Julie Ehret

speeding *Up*

Sophomore Cole Harres shows off his speed and beats his oppoent to the ball. Harris was one of the few sophomores to play at the varsity level.

meet the *Parents*

Senior co-captain, Kyle Zaber, poses with his parents in honor of senior night. Zaber also showed off his kicking skills on the football field as the varsity kicker.

born in the *U.S.A.*

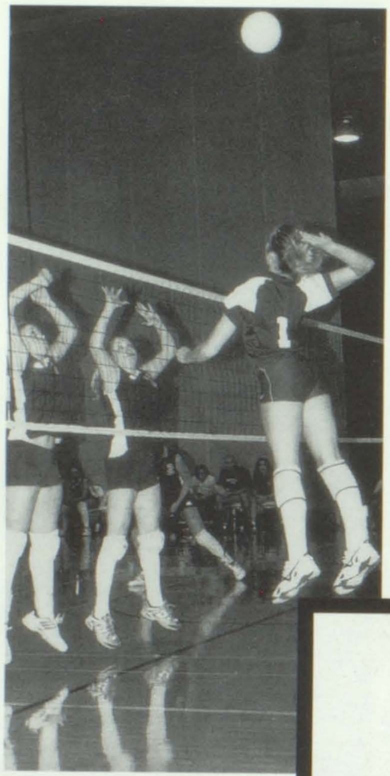
Varsity soccer shows their patriotism before the game during the National Anthem. They went on to show their school pride in this and every game.

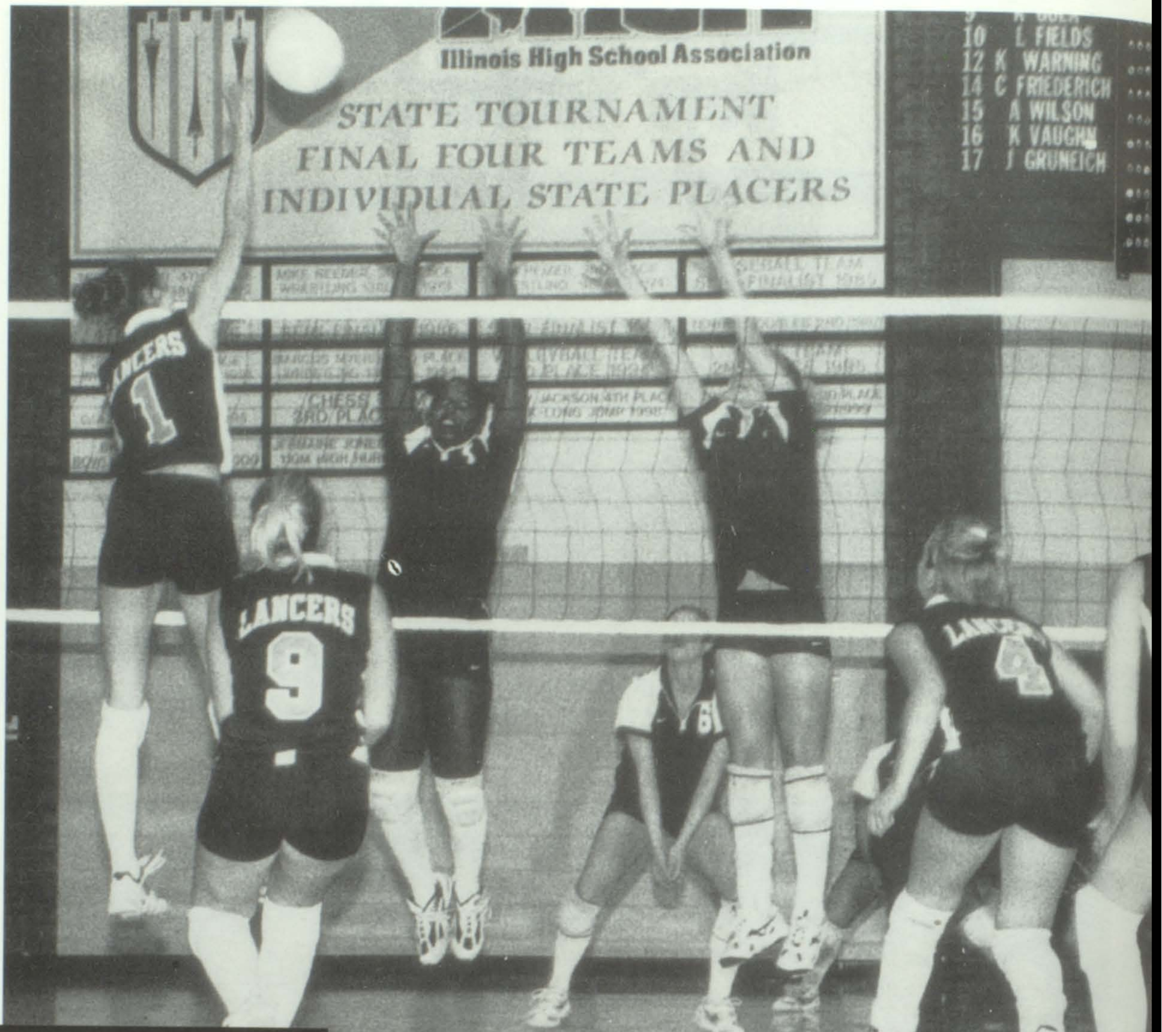
setting the *Block*

Juniors Katelyn Panzau and Becky Randolph close the block against Belleville East. Panzau finished with 21 solo blocks while Randolph had 5 solo and 20 assisted.

killing the *Ball*

Junior Katelyn Panzau goes up for a spike against rival Belleville East. Panzau lead the team in kills this year and has started varsity since freshman year.

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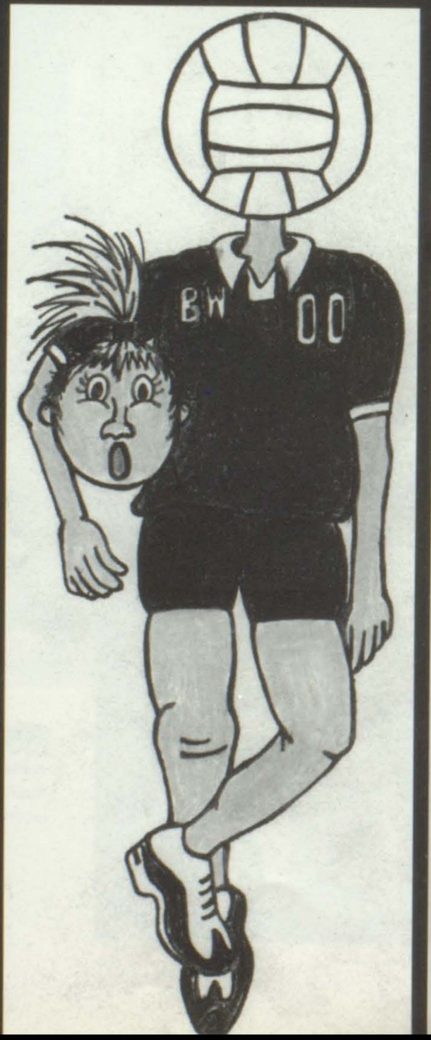


Junior Varsity Volleyball/Front Row: Brooke Range, Mallory Hensley, Katie Schmidt, Hanna Shea, Shelbe Farrar, **Second Row:** Manager Jessica Pautler, Katie Murphy, Lauren Watkin Megan McKinney, Briana Kassebaum, Suzy Fitzgerald, Candi Haas, Natalie Eiskant, Manager A Hasenstab, Coach Jane Sperry

Hitting the Floor

This season was one of transition and innovation for the varsity volleyball team. After losing 5 of the 6 starters from last year, Coach Charles Rodman had the task of putting together a new team.

"We tried out a lot of new lineups and new people on each position. We ended up changing our rotation mid-season but we came out with something that worked out well for us," junior Katelyn Panzau said.

The varsity team ended the season with a record of 28-11. They attended many prestigious tournaments and did well in all of them. They took home a first place trophy from the Quincy Invitational and placed well in the other tournaments.

With a new line up in the works, many players got into positions that weren't normally their spot.

"I was a middle last year and ended up playing right side in this rotation. I think this was good for our team because we all got to try out something new and we got a lot of experience from it," junior Jennie Holtgrewe said.

Next season, the team has many goals to accomplish. Their biggest goal is to win the State Competition. They also would like to win many of the tournaments and have an undefeated season.

"I really think we could win state next year. We have a lot of great players and we are all very determined to win. It will be interesting to see how we will come together next year and what will happen when the new line up comes out," Panzau said.

Coach Charles Rodman had a very big honor this year. He celebrated his 700th win in his coaching career; an honor that only one other Illinois coach has had.

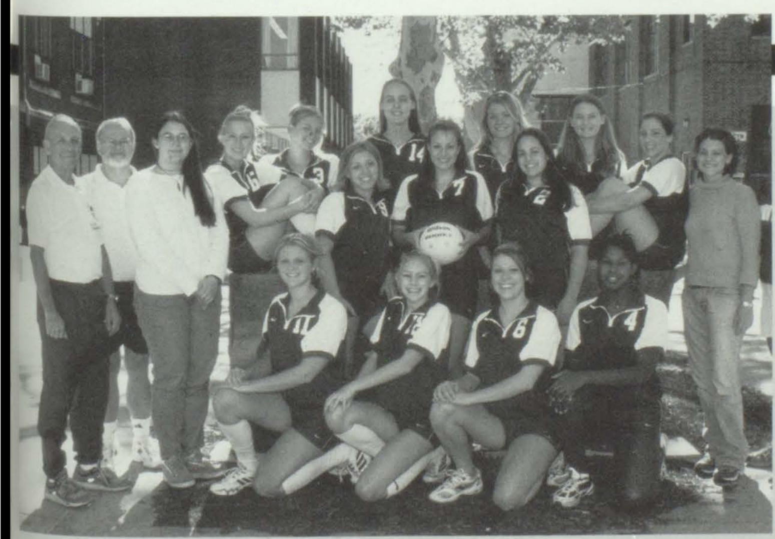
The Junior Varsity team also had a fantastic year. Led by Coach Jane Sperry, the team ended the season undefeated and City Champions. Only one other team has been undefeated under Coach Sperry. • *Suzy Fitzgerald*

it's a team *Thing*

The team huddles mid-court before the start of the game. The team relies on trust and closeness to take them to victory.

leading to a *Win*

Varsity coach Charles Rodman lifts the team's spirits with one of his famous pep talks. Rodman celebrated his 700th win this season with the varsity team.



Varsity **Volleyball/ Front Row:** Katie Murphy, Shelbe Farrar, Jenny Mueth, Becky Randolph, **Second Row:** Julie O'Donnell, Candi Haas, Hilary Bennett, **Third Row:** Coach Larry Obenchain, Coach Charles Rodman, Manager Jessica Pautler, Alicia Herzing, Kristin Luechtefeld, Jennie Holtgrewe, Katelyn Panzau, Jackie Morrison, Erica Touchette, Manager Ali Hasenstab, Coach Jane Sperry

- The Varsity Volleyball team led Coach Charles Rodman to his 700th career win this season. This is an accomplishment that only one other coach in the state of Illinois has reached. He was celebrated at the Fall Awards Night for his honor.
- The Junior Varsity Volleyball team finished the season with an undefeated record of 24-0. This has only happened one other time for the JV Coach, Jane Sperry. The girls worked hard all season to accomplish this goal.

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warming up Winter

[Left] Eric Dronen ('04) trumpets encouraging music along with the pep band at varsity boys' basketball games. [Above] The dance team and the cheerleaders perform the school song before a home basketball game. [Below] Assistant boys' basketball coach Mr. Clayton Fisher gives the boys a pep talk.

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Girls Basketball

They Lead While Others Follow

The girls basketball team had kind of a rocky season, ending the year with a 6-19 record. This year's captains were Christine Betz ('02), Crystal Pardiek ('02), and Jamie Bereitschaft ('02). The three captains, along with Julie O'Donnell ('02), helped lead the team and provide necessary encouragement.

"Even though we lost some, we still put a lot of effort into our games. I'm proud of all the girls who played this year," said Betz.

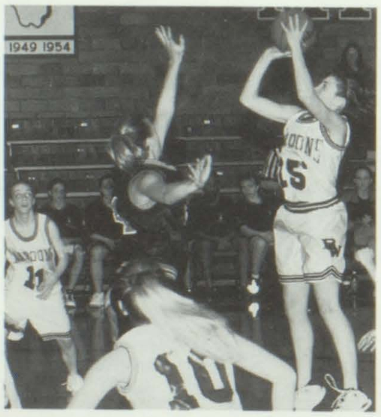
Although the girls experienced some losses, they still have a lot they can be proud of.

"We lacked offense at times, but we played really good defensively. Jamie Bereitschaft had a great defensive year," said Katelyn Panzau ('03).

"We beat Belleville East twice! That was pretty nice," Betz said.

Along with beating East and having a good defensive year, Mari Castello ('04) advanced to state finals individually. The girls are already thinking of next year and what can be done differently.

"We've had some meetings on what we can be working on in the off-season. Also, we are going to try to become closer as a team. We'll be attending a team camp this summer to help with that. Even if our outcome wasn't so good this year, we are going to have a really good season next year," said Julie Ehret ('03). • *Katie Williams*



make the **Shot**

[Above] Christine Betz ('02) goes up for the shot. She is one of the captains of the varsity girls team.

block the **Shot**

[Above, Far Right] Crystal Pardieck('02) and Katelyn Panzau ('03) show the Tigers what Maroon defense is all about.

up for **Grabs**

[Above] Katelyn Panzau ('03) takes the jump ball for the Lady Maroons.

all about **Team**

The varsity girls team take a time out to discuss the game with Coach Stephens and Coach Holcomb.

ready to Attack

[Left] Sarah Young ('05) is showing off her defensive skills. She is the only freshman on the varsity basketball team this year.

protect the Ball

[Far Left] Katelyn Panzau ('03) plays hard defense against the Edwardsville Tigers.

GIRLS JV BASKETBALL/Front Row: Mari Castello, Brittany Hubbard, Ally Habermehl, Lauren Watkins, Amanda Cerny **Second Row:** Coach Stephens, Katie Murphy, Brittany Russell, Amanda Keck, Julie Ehret, Tia Bolden

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL/ Front Row: Sarah Young, Mari Castello, Brittany Hubbard, Ally Habermehl, Lauren Watkins, Julie O'Donnell, Jamie Bereitschaft (Captain) **Second Row:** Coach Stephens, Amanda Cerny, Crystal Pardiek (Captain), Kaitlyn Panzau, Brittany Russell, Katie Murphy, Julie Ehret, Tia Bolden, Christine Betz (Captain), Coach Holcomb

Jump Ball

[Right] Josh Luecking ('02) takes the tip for the maroons.

leading the Pack

Guillermo Davis ('02) is one of the 5 seniors on the varsity basketball team this year. He shows many what it means to be a true leader.

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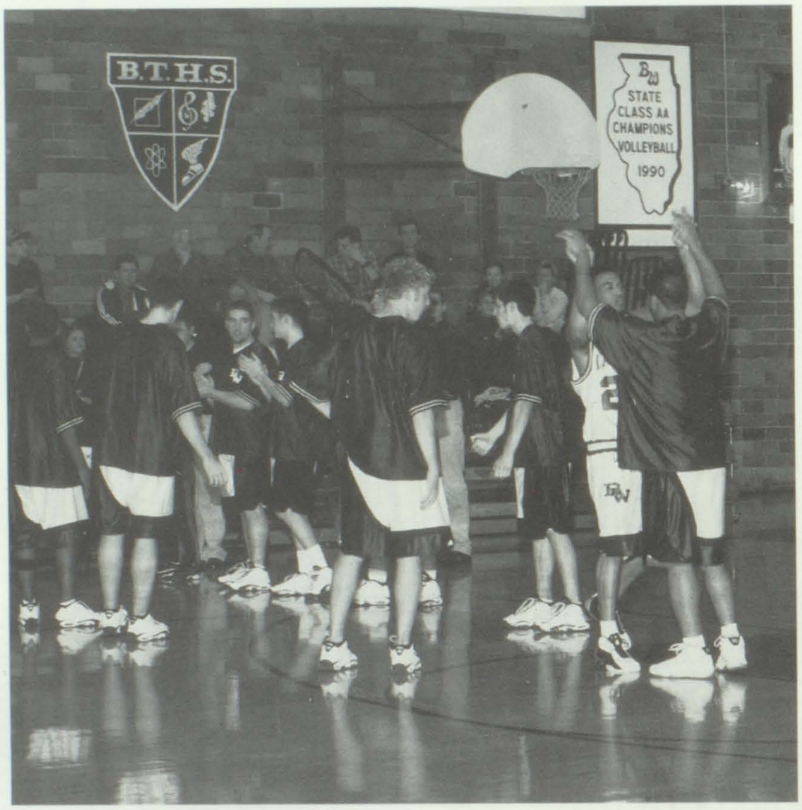
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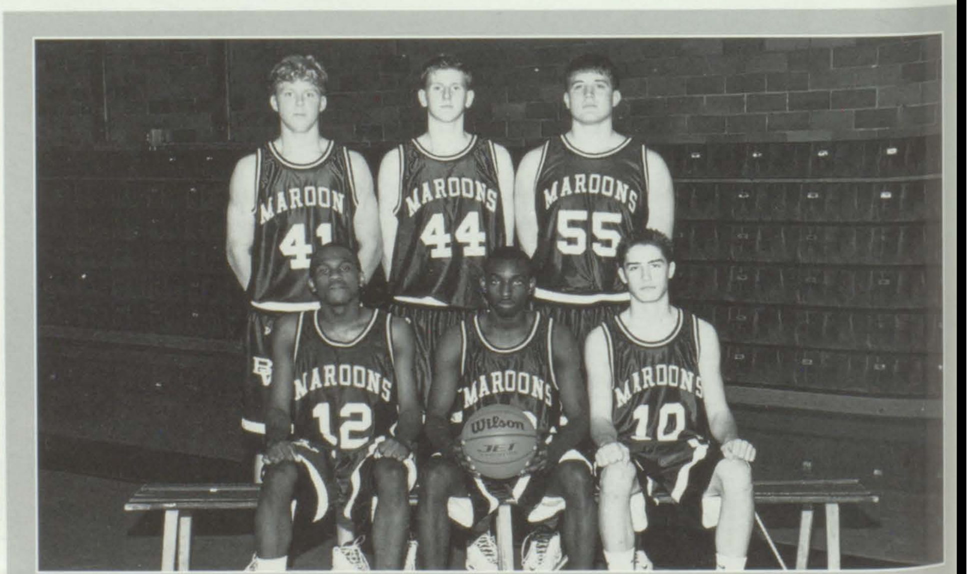
all about Team

[Above] The varsity basketball team pumps one another up during line-up.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BOYS JV BASKETBALL/Front Row: Dumaka Turner, James Stevenson, Dan Pietroburgo
Second Row: Joe Gross, Evan Gudmastad, Sean McPeak

Boys Basketball

Leading the way and pushing ahead

When the sky is dreary and the weather is cold, Belleville West fans flock to watch the boys' basketball team. This year the team ended their season with a 16-11 record, including nine wins and five losses in the conference.

The team defeated city rivals Althoff and East in adrenaline filled games. However, a 52-47 loss to Collinsville in overtime left the team one win short of a conference championship. "We beat Collinsville once towards the start of the season. It was a great win because they were voted the best team of the area. Yet, it was kind of heartbreaking to lose the conference to them," Jake Holtgrewe ('02) said.

Despite this disappointment, the boys accomplished their shared goal of reaching the championship game of the East Tournament, but they weren't able to capture a win.

"The season started out kind of slow, but we improved. We had a lot of new guys on the team, but we got used to their style of play and were successful. We beat some teams that we weren't expecting to beat," Holtgrewe said.

"We were pretty satisfied with this season. We practiced hard and learned a lot from our coaches and each other. We started to work like a team, and it paid off," forward, Josh Luecking said. • *Randi Roberts*

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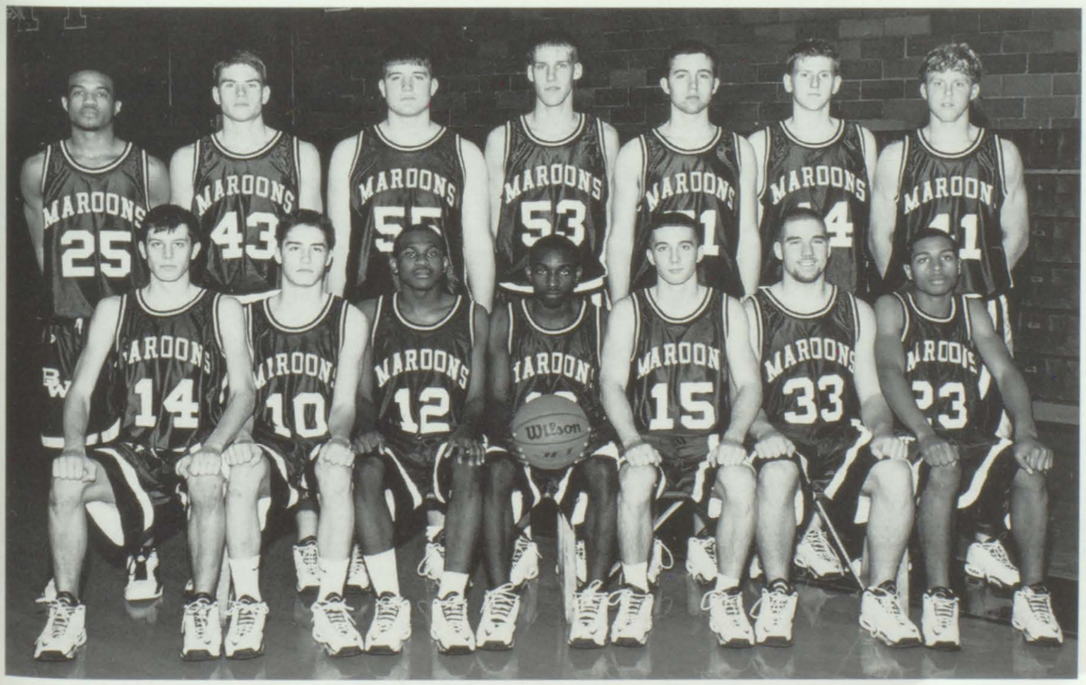
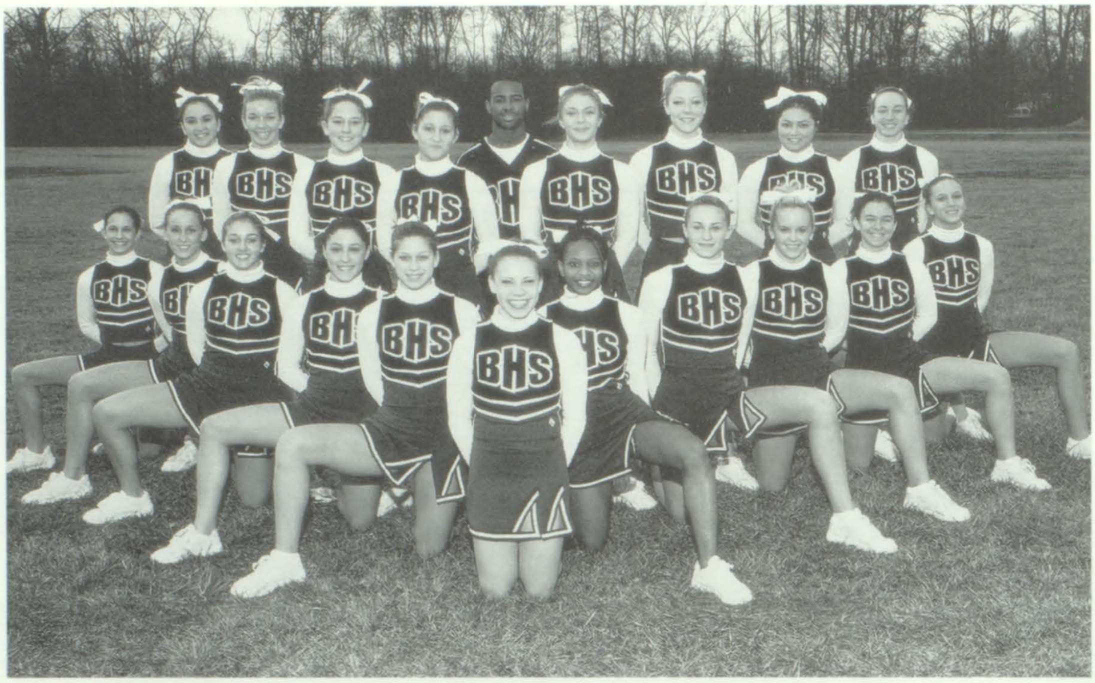
taking Charge

[Above] Joe Gross ('03) is on defense against the Edwardsville Tigers.



BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL/Front Row: Scott Poole, Dan Pietroburgo, Dumaka Turner, James Stevenson, Robbie Kaiser, Phil Kish, J.B. Jones, **Second Row:** Darren Wilson, Josh Lueking, Sean McPeak, Jake Holtgrewe, Derek Grimm, Evan Gudmestad, Joe Gross **Not Pictured:** Guillermo Davis



VARSITY CHEERLEADING/first Row: Lindsey Reinhardt, Carly Brueggeman, Kelli Smith, Brandi Frischkorn, Emily Vogel, Lara Bosick, Katrina Hand, Ashley Luberda, Jackie Wessel, Katie Ludgate, Lauren Blick, **Second Row:** Melissa Jobin, Meghan Kramp, Brittany Pieper, Ashley Frischkorn, D.J. Cotton, Cori Wheeler, Tara Altmansberger, Christy Metzger, Jessica Jobin

training Hard

[Above] The JV cheerleaders do a floor cheer during a full time-out. They prepare themselves for when they may be on the varsity squad.

let's go Team

[Right] Brandi Frischkorn ('05) hits a motion as she performs during the line-up for the varsity basketball team.

touch the Sky

[Right] Lindsey Reinhardt ('05) pulls up her heel stretch as she cheers on the Maroons during the school song.

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Leading The Crowd

The Cheerleaders Push the Team to Victory

The cheerleading squad started out the year with many changes. For the first time ever, freshmen were allowed on the varsity squad. Four members of the class of 2005 were added this year including, Lara Bosick, Brandi Frischkorn, Lindsey Reinhardt, and Jackie Wessel.

"Adding freshmen to the squad really made the team seem younger," said Lauren Blick ('02), "but it also made our team more unique than previous years."

Another change this year was the addition of a male. Previously, the cheerleading squad was strictly all girls. But that has changed as of 2001. D.J. Cotton ('03) was added to the roster this year.

"D.J. was always pumping us up. He was a great influence to the squad. I really enjoyed having him as a teammate this year," said Kelli Smith ('03).

The cheerleaders used these changes to their advantage. They practiced everyday for seven months, starting in August and not ending until mid-March. They cheer the football and boys basketball games.

"Our schedule is really hectic and it is always pushing us to our limits. We just discipline ourselves to stick with it," said Emily Vogel ('02).

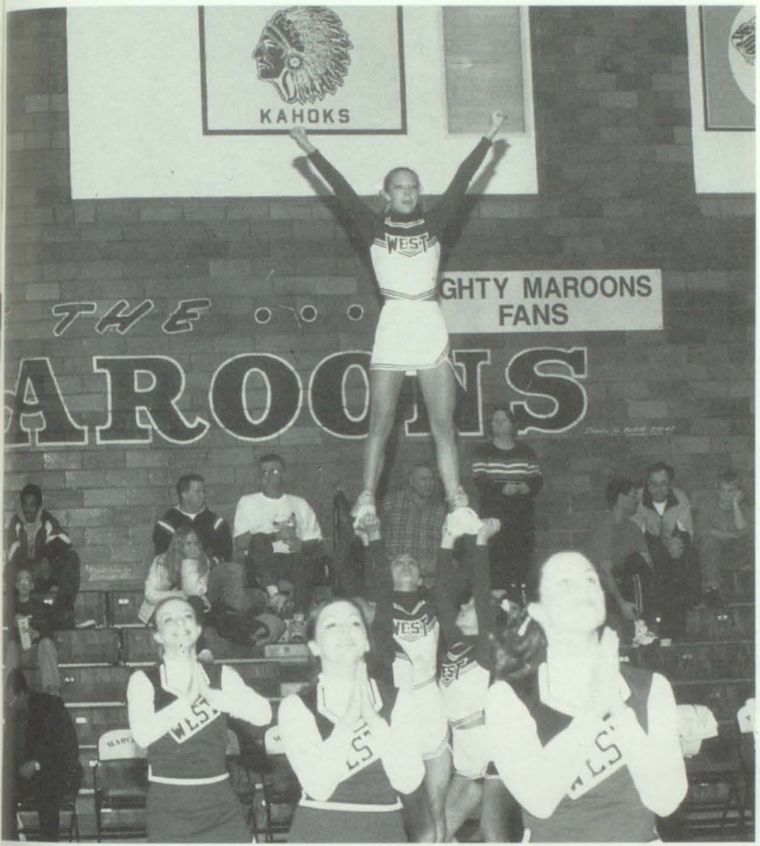
The squad also goes to numerous competitions. They compete with a two and a half minute routine that includes stunting, dance, cheer, and crowd interaction. They must first take this routine to a regional competition to try to qualify for state. The team went to the Highland and Mt. Vernon regionals. They qualified at Highland and went on to Mt. Vernon to get as much practice in front of a crowd as possible. They then went on to the State competition held in Springfield. They placed 6th out of twenty-nine teams.

"I felt that we did our very best at State. It doesn't matter what anyone else thinks, just that we know we did the best we could," said Christy Metzger ('03).

• *Jessica Jobin*

we're on *Top*

[Below] Tara Altmansberger ('02) and Katrina Hand ('03) stunt during school song before the varsity basketball game.



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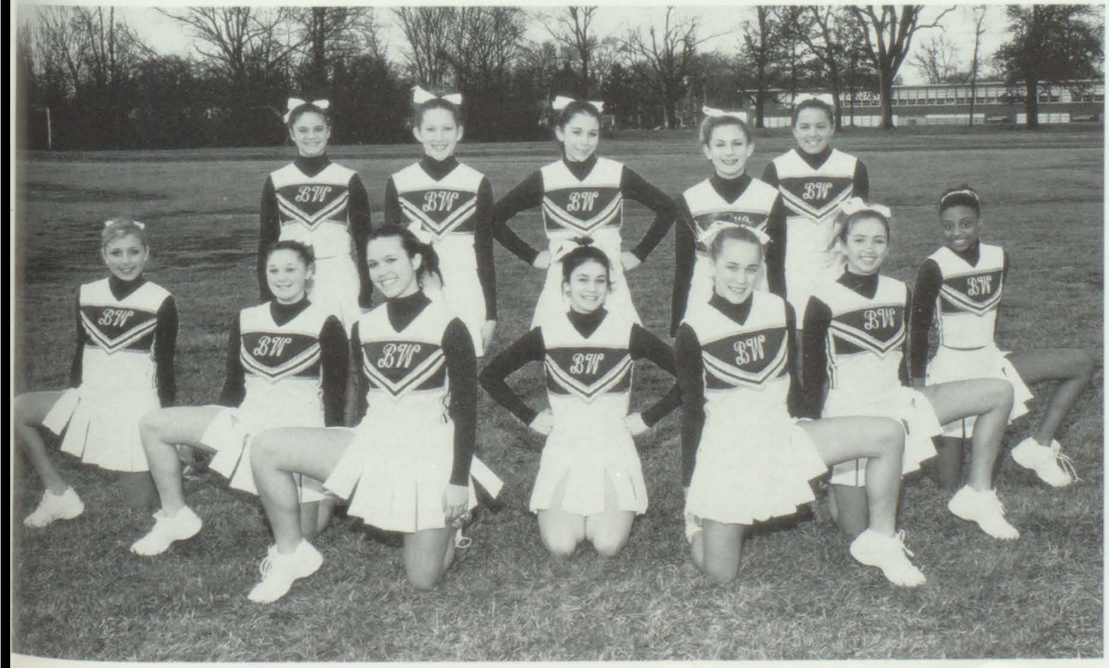
pump it *Up*

[Above] The varsity cheerleaders preform their line-up cheer just before the start of the varsity game.



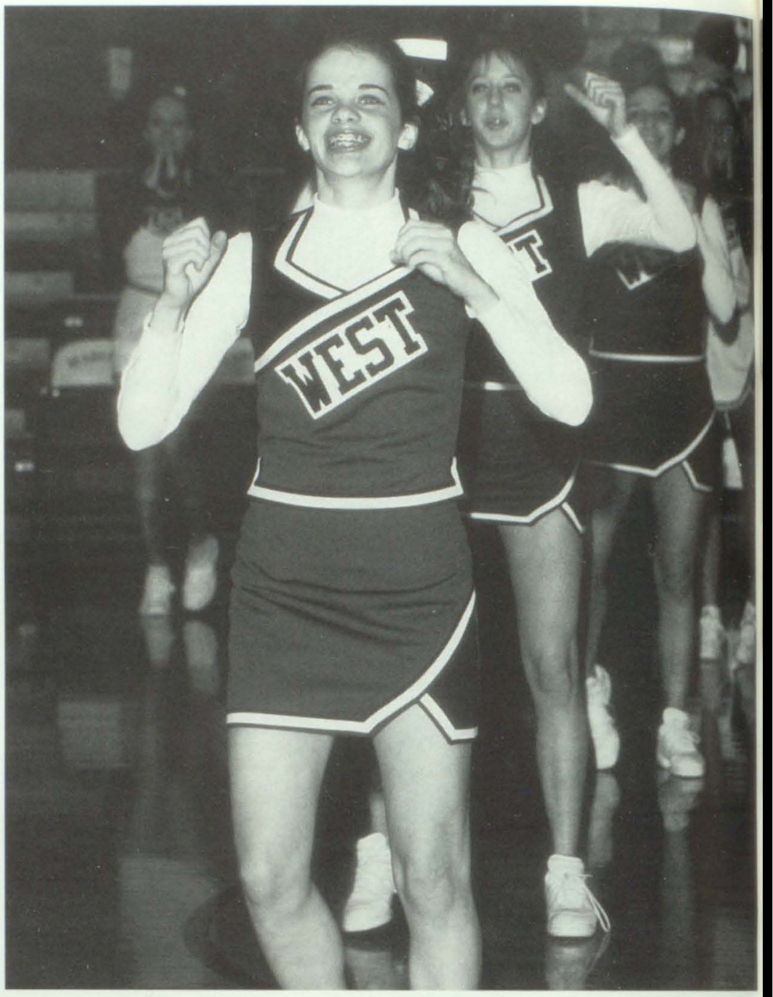
JV **CHEERLEADING/Front Row:** Casey Holbrook, Maranda Boda, Erin Ahn, Ashley Farmer, Allison Cassano, Ebonie Sutton
Second Row: Stephanie Maxfield, Angie Hankammer, Talayna McQuillan, Cassidy Dockins, Kelsey Dockins

showing Off

[Below] Dance team members perform one of their competition dances during halftime at a basketball game.

leading the Way

Courtney Tiemann ('02), one of the captains of the dance team, preforms a dance to the school song before a boys basketball game.



Traveling in Style

Belleville West Dance Team

The dance team season begins with the team going to camp held at Illinois State campus in Bloomington, Illinois. At camp the girls learn many routines and even compete with a routine they brought from home. They compete against twenty other teams. This year the team placed third in the camp. After camp, the girls came home and began practicing for other performances. These included dancing at the "Maroon and White Scrimmage Night" for football and at a St. Louis Cardinals baseball game.

During this busy schedule, the girls also find time for other activities. They encourage other teams, like the boys' basketball, soccer and football teams, by decorating their rooms and lockers. The girls also spend their free time attending local dance studios.

"This year's team is more technically advanced compared to last year," said Lisa Beiri ('02). This year is the first with every member of the team to have had prior dance experience.

The team then begins to learn their competition routines. Their dance one this year showed the crowd a more feminine mood to the song "Kiss, Kiss". Their aerobic funk routine was to a robotic, eighties-themed song. They performed these routines at basketball games and at competitions.

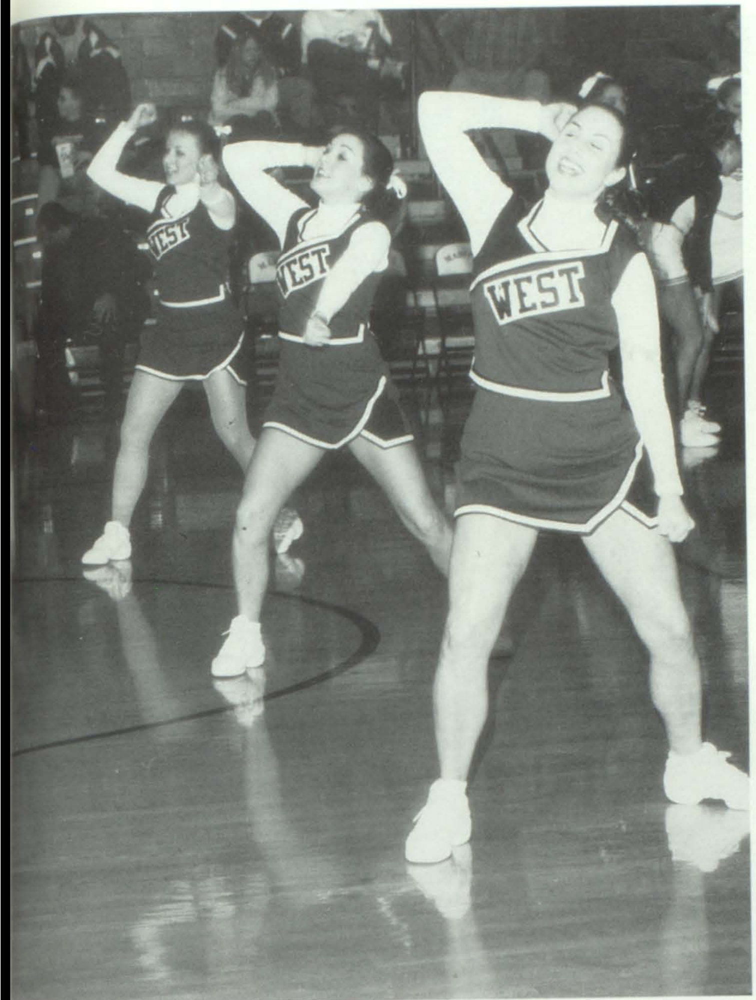
"Fan support this year has been overwhelming at the games as well as competitions. It pumps us all up and makes us preform well," said Krista Carson ('04).

The first competition was held at Mascoutah High School where they placed first in the AAA Dance category and first in the AAA Funk category. The dance team also got the highest score of the day. The second competition was held at Althoff High School. Here they placed first in both categories.

At the end of the season, the dance team prepared for Super Sectionals and state. "So far we've met and exceeded expectations, and, hopefully, we will continue to do so at state level," said Mrs. Lisa Quandt, dance team coach. • *Monica Castello*

all the right Moves

[Above] The dance team preforms their funk competition routine at regional competition. They must qualify at a regionals competition to move on to state.



steal the Show

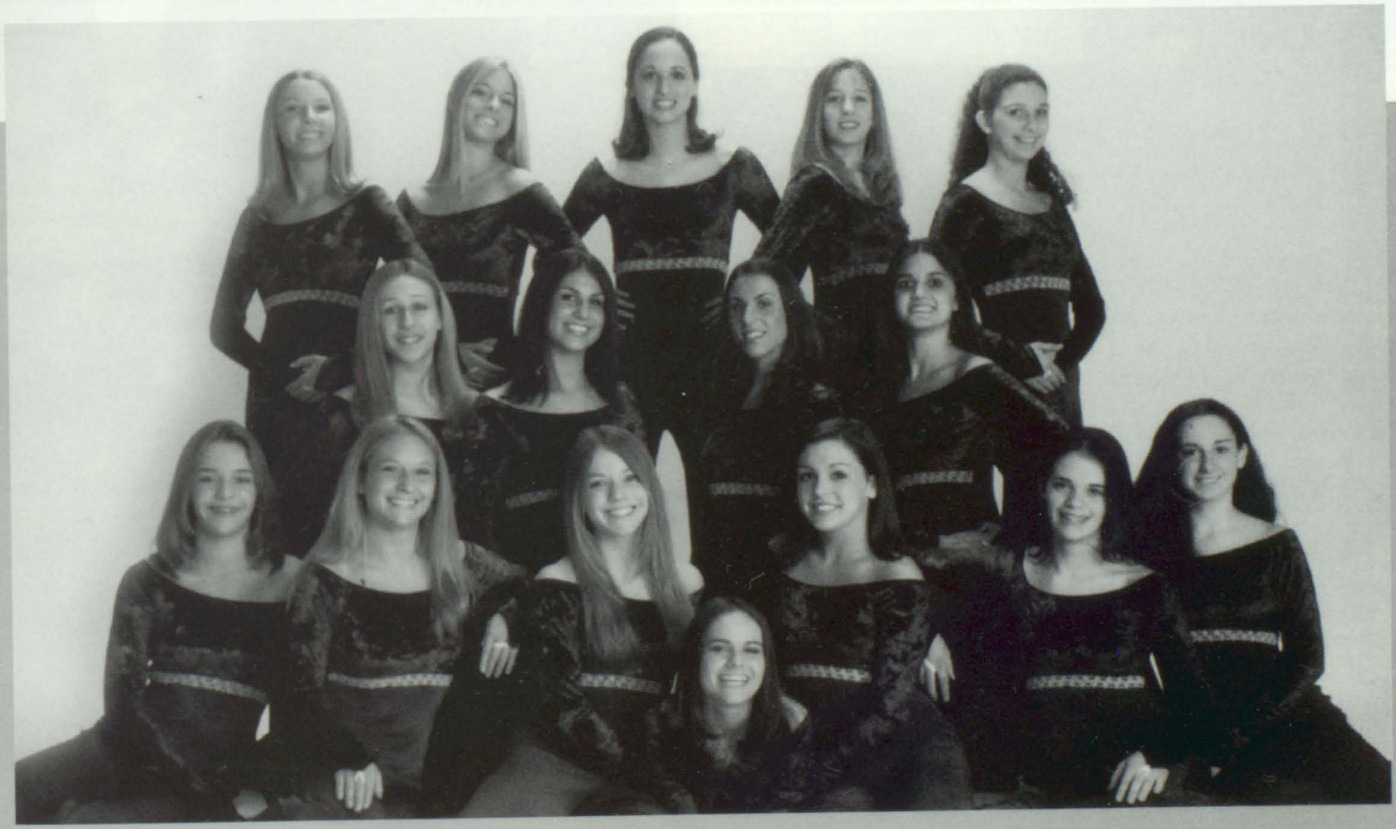
[Left] Lisa Bieri ('02) and Monica Castello ('03) preform during school song before the varsity basketball game.

go for It

[Left] Lindsay Jorns ('02) and Whitney Merz ('04) Preform during half-time at a basketball game.

like a Star

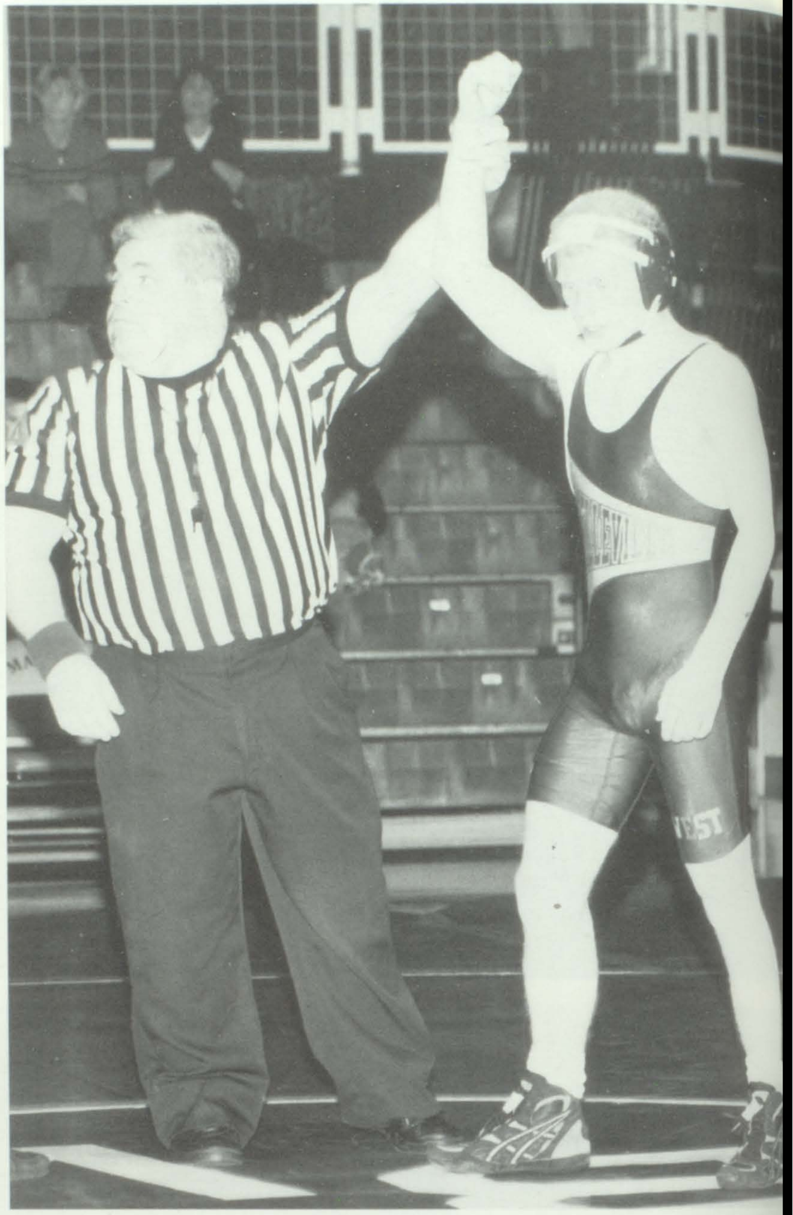
[Below] Anna Carson ('02) preforms one of the teams many routines at the Maroons Are Great assembly.



DANCE TEAM/Front Row: Malorie Theis, Krista Carson, Liza Hartzel, Jessica Jorns, Monica Castello, Courtney Tiemann (Captain), Kristen McKinney **Second Row:** Lindsey Eghigian, Lauren Bieri, Lisa Bieri (Captain), Lindsay Jorns **Third Row:** Whitney Merz, Anna Carson, Elena Rodriguez, Kari Knobeloch, Ashley Bux

Wrestling

Tour the pictures of a winning season ...



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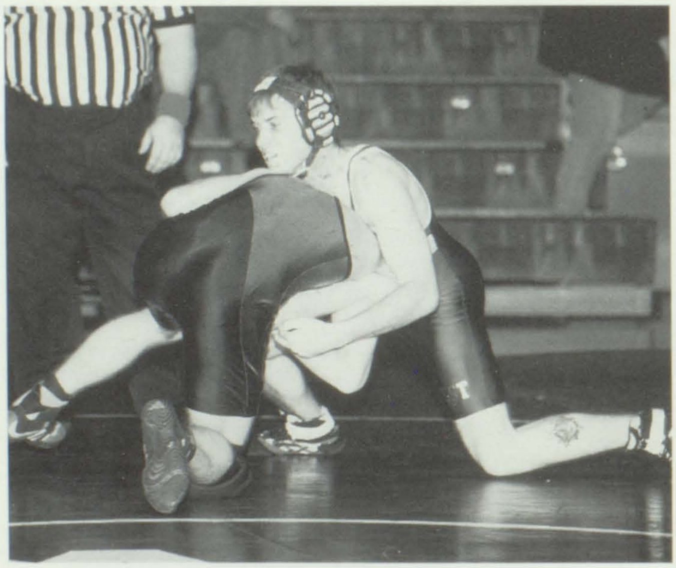
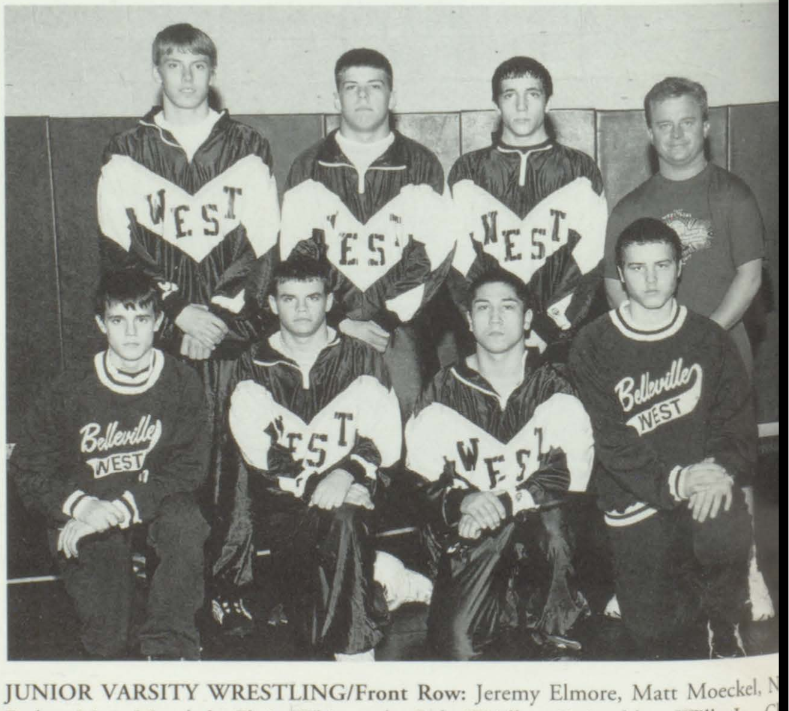
[Right] Joe Rujawitz ('02) is declared the winner.

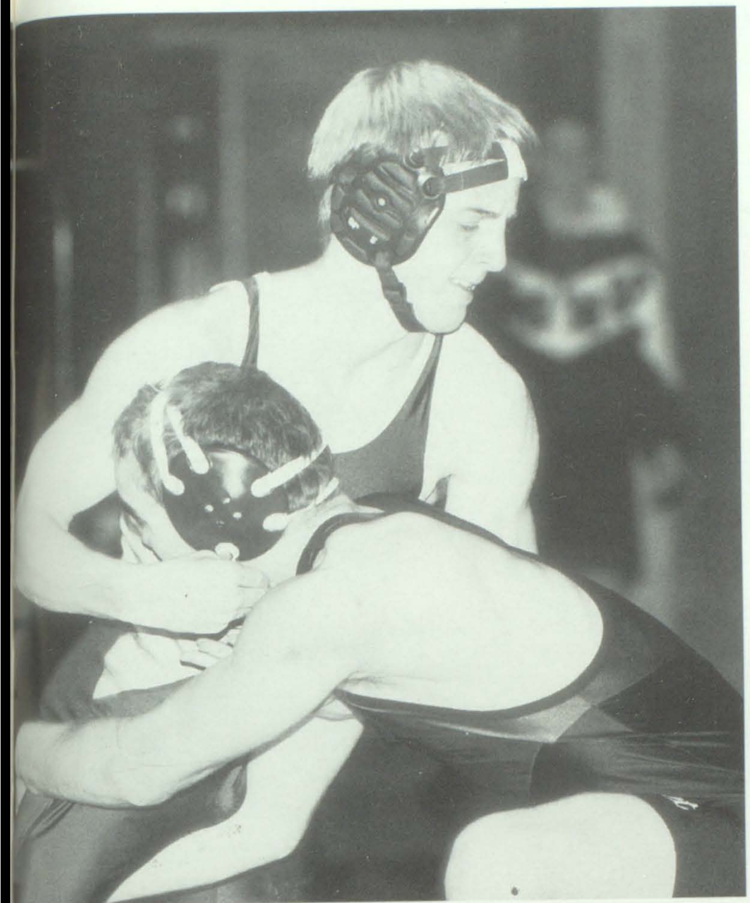


getting Tough

[Above] Jeff Bahr ('02) is about to pin down his competition.



JUNIOR VARSITY WRESTLING/Front Row: Jeremy Elmore, Matt Moeckel, N Bader, Matt Moeckel, Chris Whitworth, Bob Weidler, Quienthlon Wills Jr., C Breeden, Coach Tim Allgire

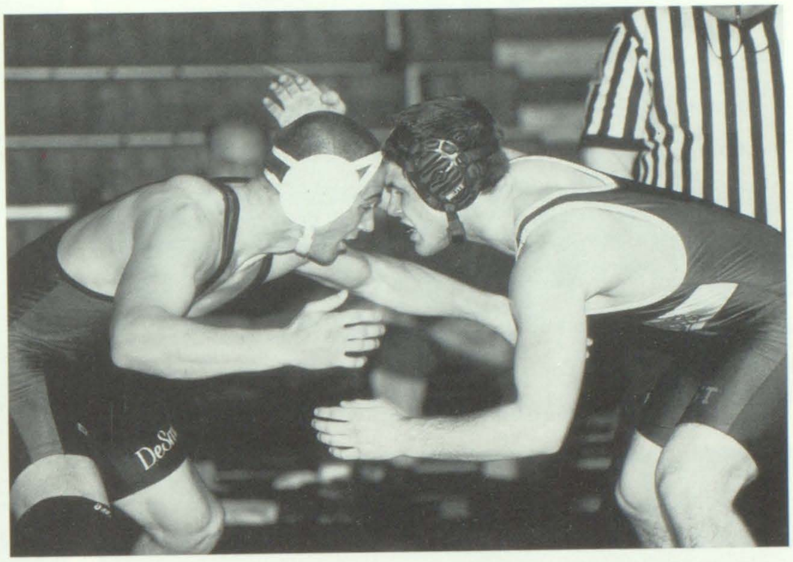


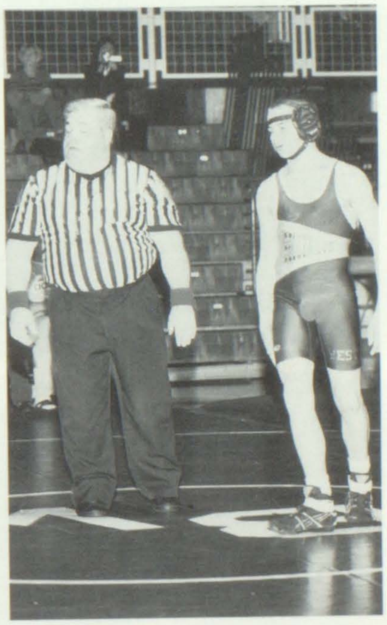
taking Charge

[Left] Dusty Carpenter ('02) takes the advantage over his competition.

pinning DeSmet

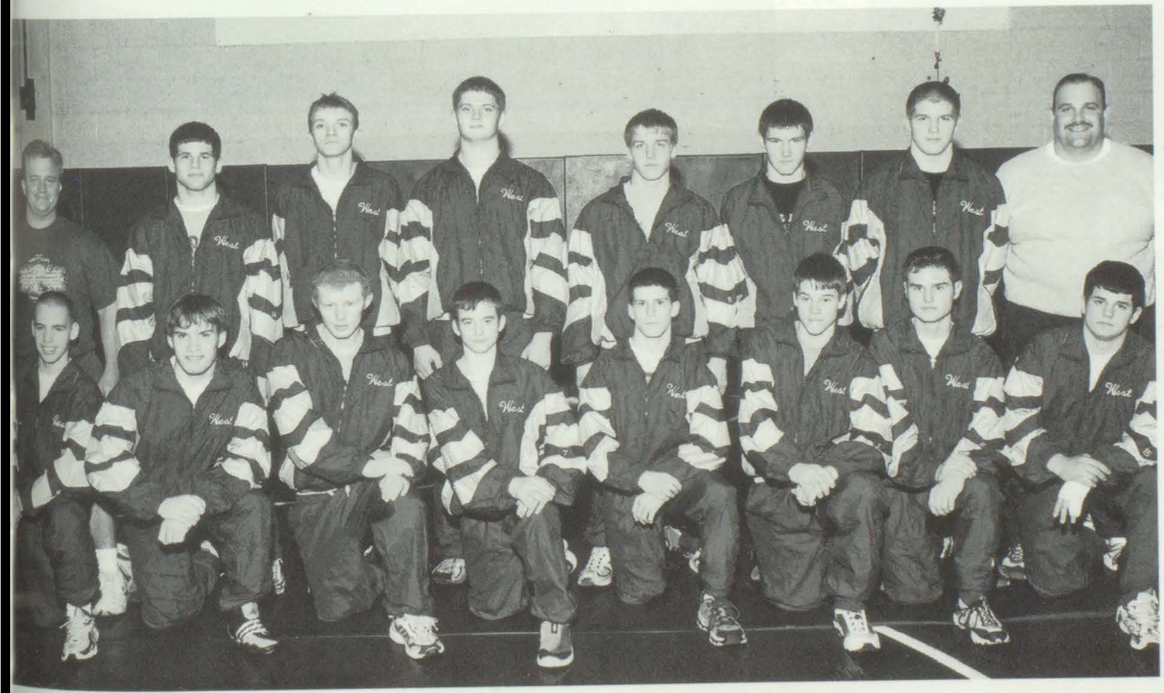
[Below] Mike Ciabattoni ('02) makes his first move in a match against DeSmet.





watch him Wait

[Above] Stephen Bux ('04) anxiously awaits his competition.



VARSITY WRESTLING/Front Row: Stephen Bux, Jeff Bahr, Joe Rujawitz, Ira Lukowski, Brandon Darnstaedt, Aaron Godard, Joe Skortz, J.P. Elmore, **Second Row:** Coach Tim Allgire, Mike Ciabattoni, Chad Dachsteiner, Steffan Visk, Dusty Carpenter, Sean Neighbors, Chris Kramer, Coach Al Sears

Strike!

Bowlers master another season

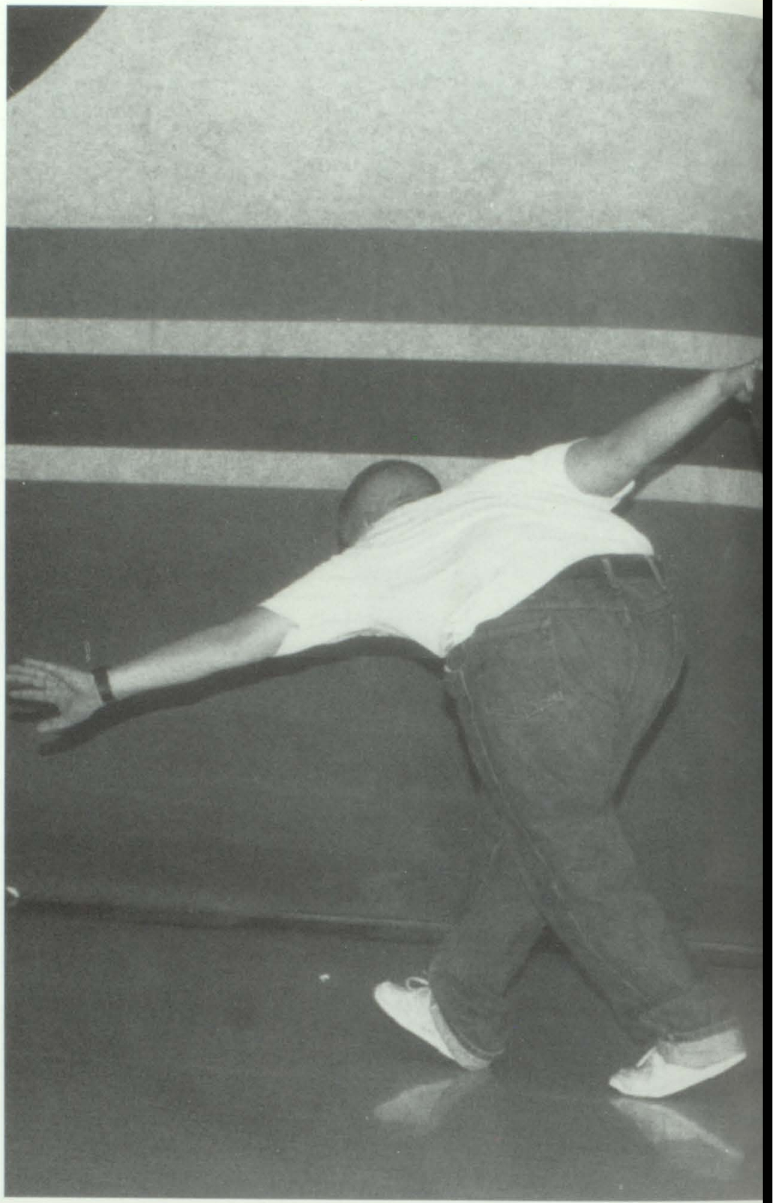
The bowling team had a great year, according to Coach John LeCuyer. After many practices held at the local Bel-Air Bowl, the team went on to enter in various competitions.

The boys won the Conference Championship and a chance to move forward on to state. They took this chance and placed 10th at the state level. Boys and girls can move on to state as individuals, as well. In these individuals, for boys, Ryan Freivogel ('02) placed 11th on the first day of state competition. On the last day of state, there is a "scratch board" tournament. Ryan placed 4th in this tournament and received two hundred and fifty dollars in scholarships.

The girls also contributed to this successful year. They placed 2nd in the Holiday Tournament and received 4th in sectionals. This qualified them to move on to state, as well, which was held in Rockford, Illinois. Amanda Stonesifer ('02) also qualified as an individual to move on to state. According to Christine Lukie ('03), Amanda and Tammi Ridenour ('02) contributed a lot to the girls team. "Amanda and Tammi were leaders for the girls. I feel that the girls did much better this year then last year."

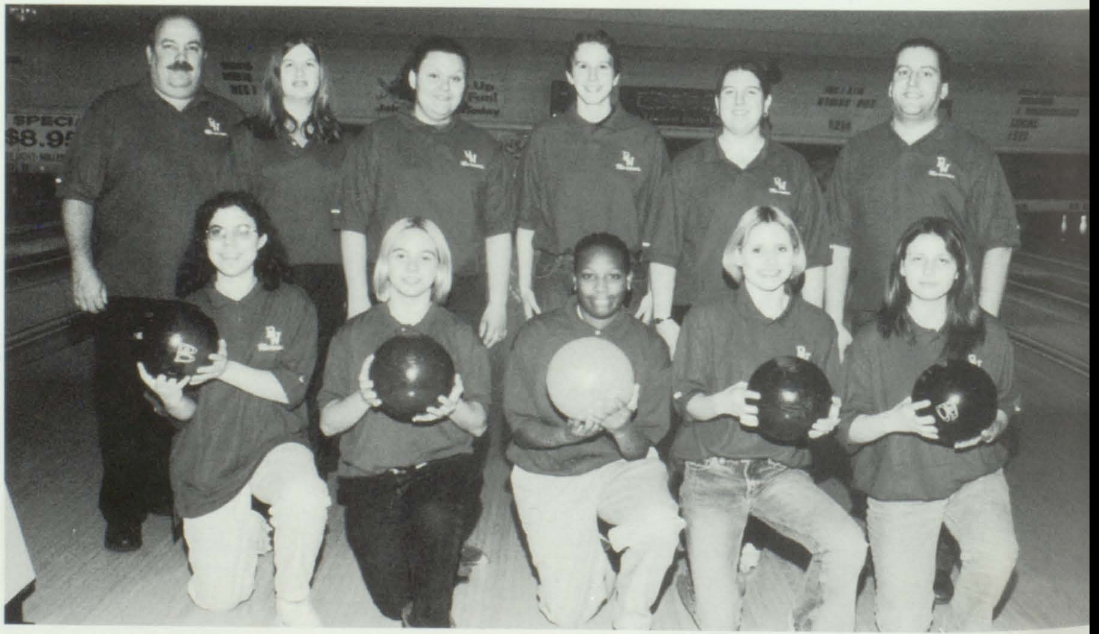
"We had an amazing season," stated Coach LeCuyer.

• *Monica Castello*

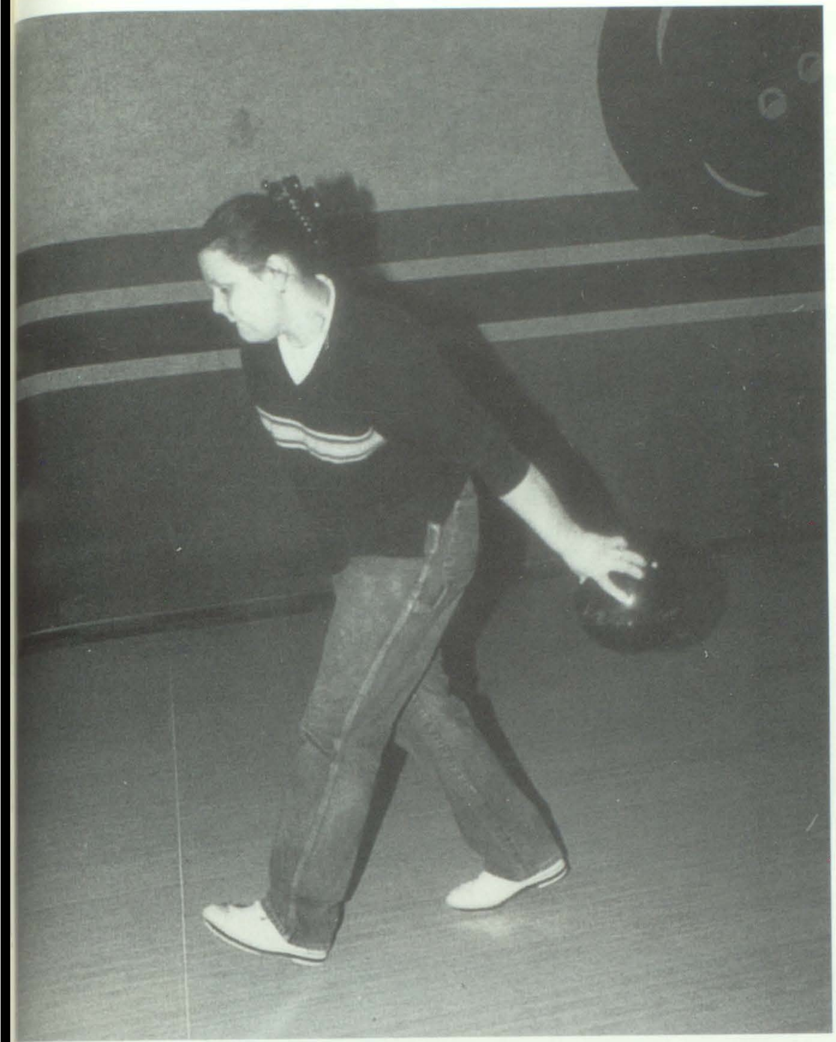


knock 'em Down

[Above] Josh Benevidez ('03) is about to bowl one of his many strikes.



GIRLS BOWLING/ Front Row: Christine Lukie, Kristin Yates, Loreal White, Sarh Parker, Tammi Ridenour **Secon** **Row:** Coach Tony Lukie, Genny Shannon, Amanda Stonesifer, Jennalee Cook, Ashley Forness, Coach John LeCuyer



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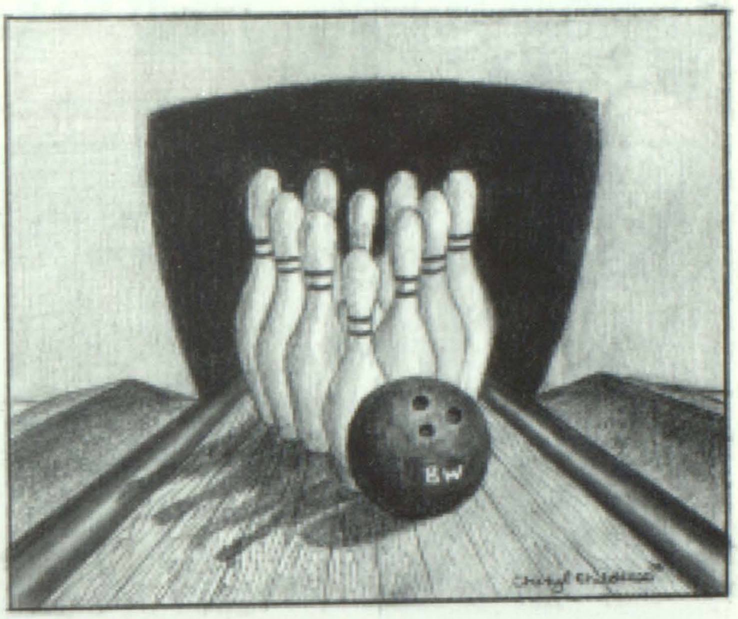
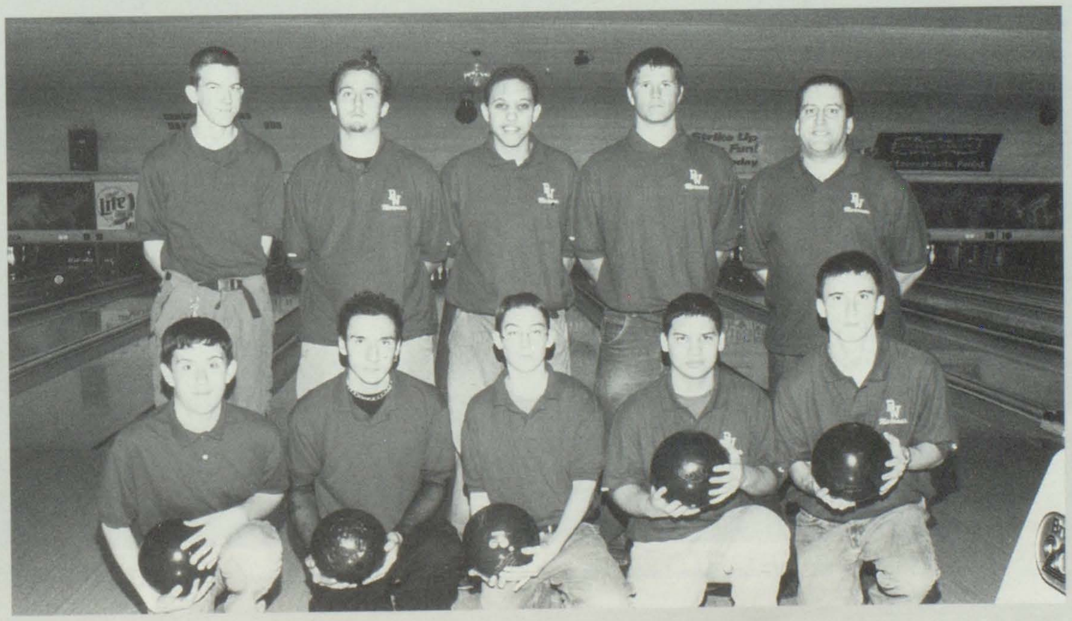
[Above] Amanda Stonesifer ('02) demonstrates the technique of bowling. She is the number one bowler for the girls' team.

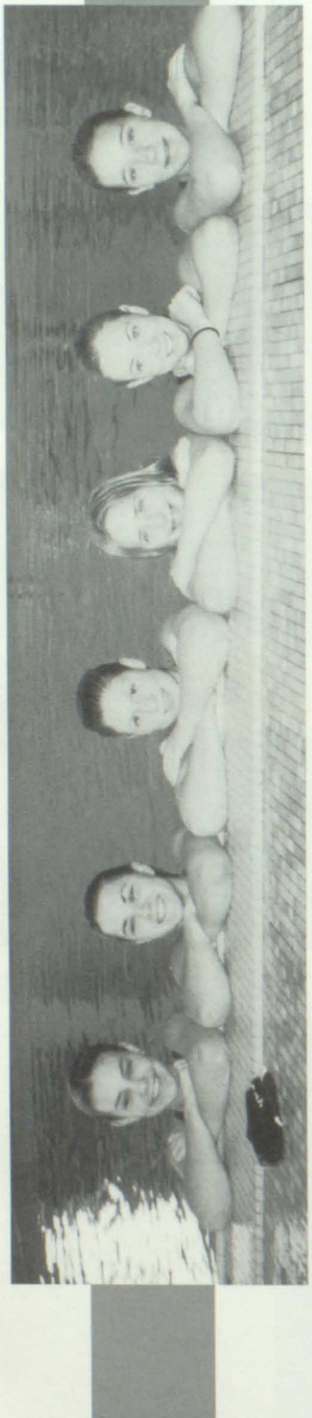
practice makes *Perfect*

[Right] Josh Benevidez ('03) perfects his approach.





BOYS BOWLING/ Front Row: Lee Boudouris, Steve Parker, Josh Maxwell, Jason Guyer, Craig Sanford, **Second Row:** Jeff Forness, Mike Rausch, Ryan Freivogel, Richard Kaemmerer, Coach John LeCuyer



Swimming: *West's off-campus sport*

Each year, several students at Belleville West decide to swim competively for the school even though West does not have an official "swim team".

Brian Flynn ('03) reperesented Belleville West at the Sectional Meet held in Quincy on February 16. he placed 2nd in the one hundered yard backstroke and 3rd in the one hundered yard freestyle. Flynn practices on his own by swimming with his team at the YMCA.

"It's a lot of hard work. I didn't make it to state this year, but hopefully I'll make it next year," Flynn said.

There were several girls who reperesented West this year. Mooly Mernick ('02), Linlee Otten ('02), Erin Darte ('03), Courtney Edwards ('04), Kelsey Dockins ('05), and Lauren Scharf ('05) all swam at the sectional meet held on November 17. Although they did not place overall, the girls placed in many of their heats.

"One of the goals I have for next year is to place 1st in my heat. It was hard preparing for the meet, but I was satisfied with how I swam," Scharf stated.

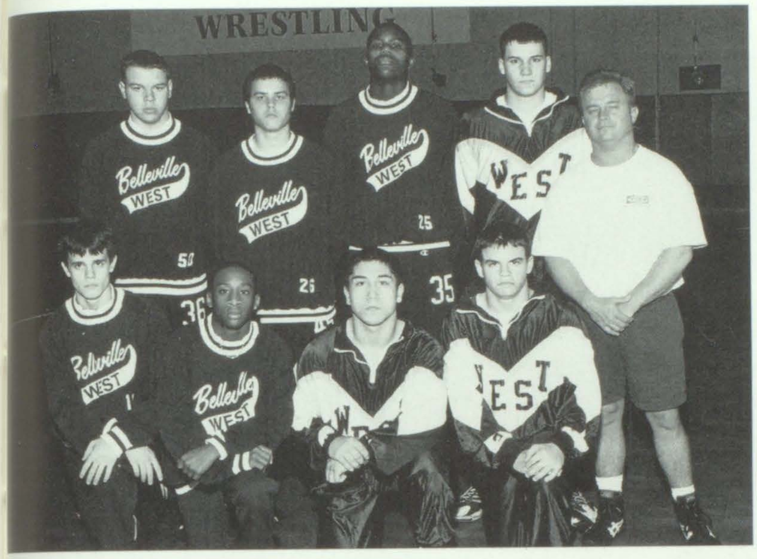
Molly Merenick still enjoys swimming at the meet even if it isn't with a so-called team.

"It's a good experience to see what our competition would be if we were a highschool team." • *Jessica Jobin*

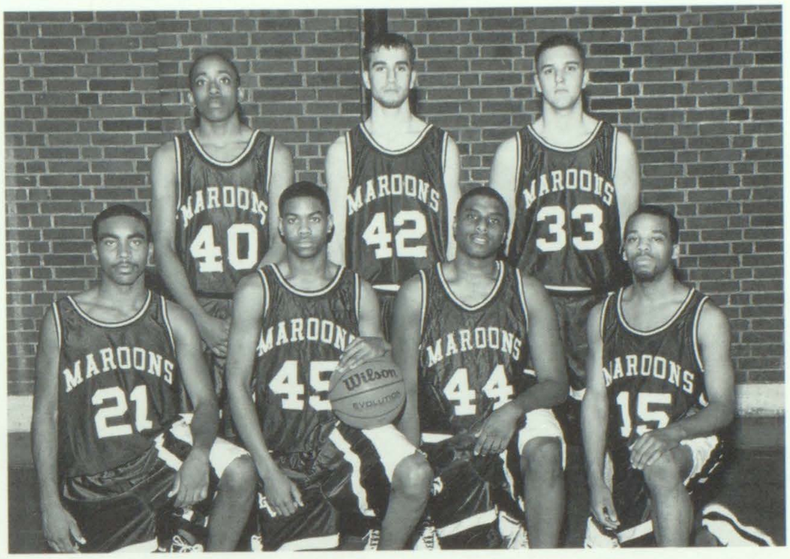
SWIMMING TEAM/Front Row: Lauren Scharf, Kelsey Dockins, **Second Row:** Courtney Edwards, Molly Mernick, Erin Darte, LynnLee Otten

'03 - '04

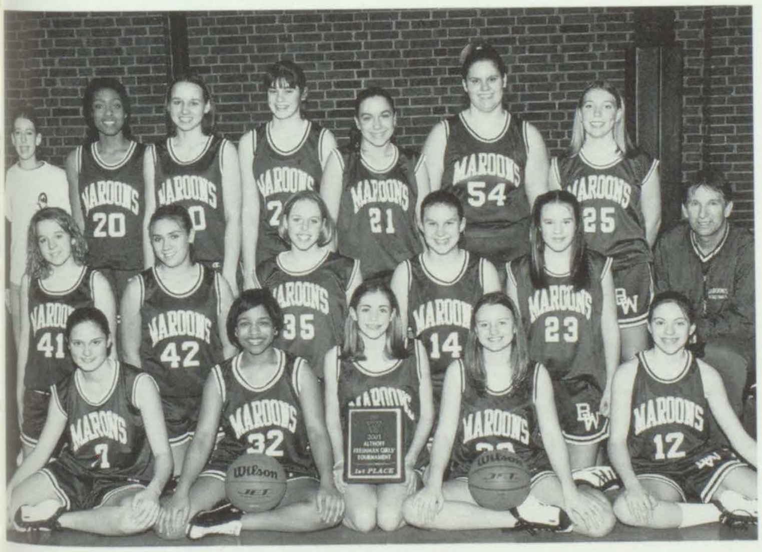
the building years ... **winter teams**



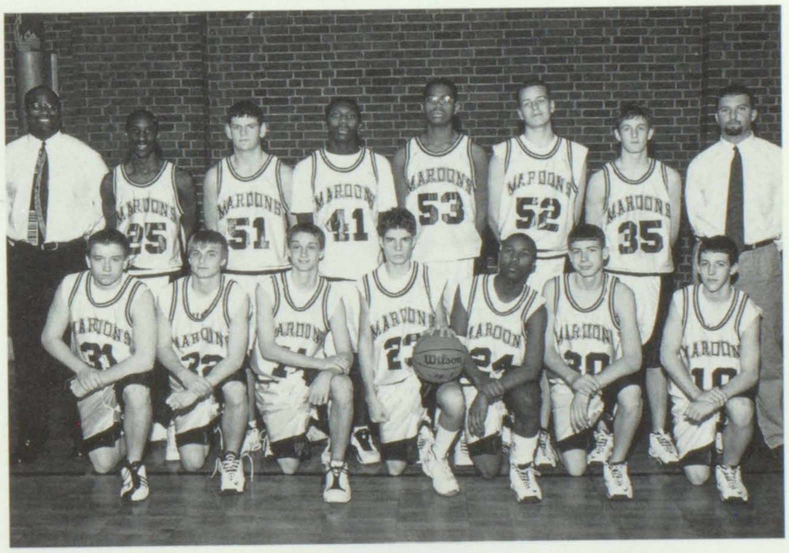
FRESHMAN WRESTLING/Front Row: Jeremy Elmore, Anthony Priest, Nick Bader, Matt Moeckel, Chris Whitworth, Bob Weidler, Quienthlon Wills Jr, Chris Breeden, Assistant Coach Tim Allgire



SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL/Front Row: Cortez Lilton, Darrius Carter, Brian McGill, DeAndre Graham, **Second Row:** Rashad Douglas, Eric Alberter, T.J. Jarvis



FRESHMEN GIRLS' BASKETBALL/Front Row: Bethany Keck, Brandie McKinney, Mallory, Tiemann, Ashly Schwartz, Ashly Hinkle, **Second Row:** Hannah Bischan, Lindsey Brown, Katie Schmidt, Jessica Barbachem, Kenora Belleville, Coach Bob Keefe, **Third Row:** Jill Frierdich (manager), Tracy Walker, Jane Holtgrewe, Melissa Keck, Jo Jo K. Lee, Ellen James, Jamie Nicholson



FRESHMEN BOYS' BASKETBALL/Front Row: Derek Greenfield, Stephen French, Adam Thompson, Kyle Wilson, Leon Sims, Paddy McPeak, Drew Bendick, **Second Row:** Coach Albert Buckles, Reggie Bennett, Scott Gudmestad, Arthur Sargent, D'Lancey Carter, Tyler Edgar, Joran Harres, Coach Ryan Endsley

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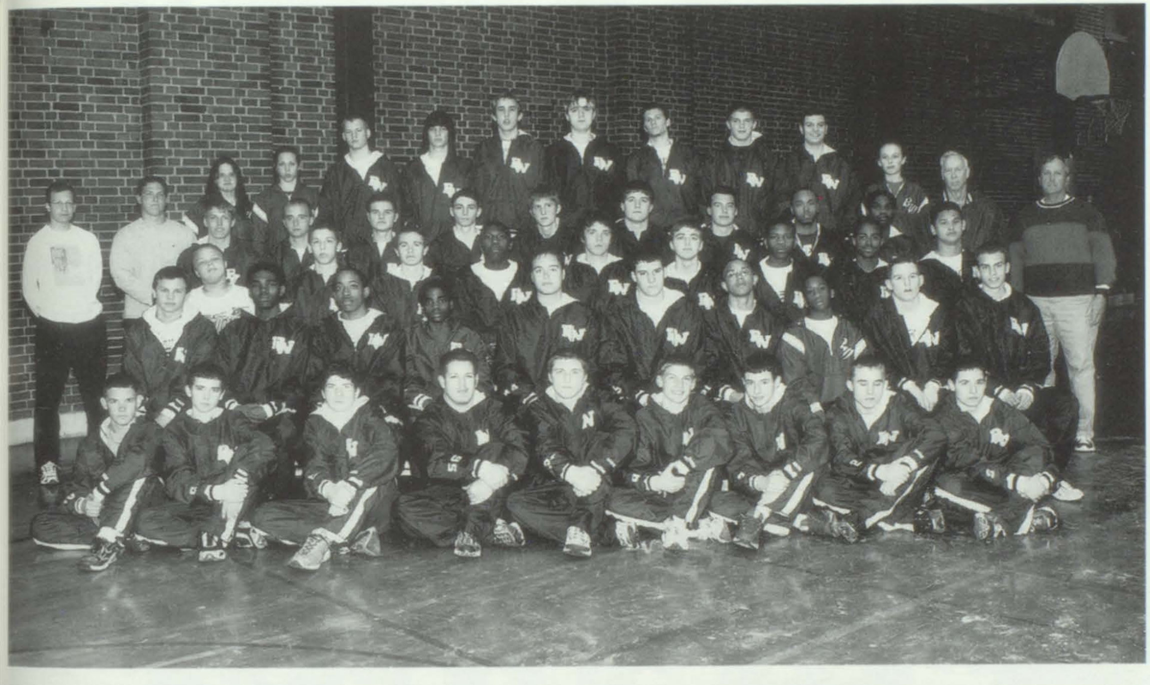
JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS' SOCCER/ Front Row: Katie Nicholson, Lara Bosick, Jena Gass, Mallory Tiemann, Lindsey Powell, **Second Row:** Amelia Lettner, Beth Bauer, Kristin Yates, Stephanie Beebe, Ashley Thompson, Lindsey Brown, Jackie Wessel, Lori Jones, **Third Row:** Coach Jeremy Stopka, Adrienne Barrow, Mallory Thies, Kourtney Tottleben, Gianna Hacker, Emily Doll, Brittany Westerfield, Emily Hommel, Katie Graebe, Sarah Young, Beth Henke

JUNIOR VARSITY SOFTBALL/Front Row: Kendra Belleville, Jessica Barbachem, Polly Young, Allyson Habermehl, Kelly BeShears, Ashley Hinkle, **Second Row:** Sarah Feeley, Jennifer Barrett, Teagan Ellis, Erica Hagler, Kendra Kostelac, Elise Hassall, Lauren Bieri, **Third Row:** Coach Tara Tieman, Brandi McKinney, Allyson Stovey, Jessi Casey, Mallory Hensley, Amanda Gray, Coach Ninnis

VARSITY BASEBALL/Front Row: Ryan Switzer, Reynoldo Mendoza, Kyle Koelker, Corey Scher, Matt Germann, Robbie Kaiser, **Second Row:** Assistant Coach Lee Meyer, Assistant Coach Roger Mueller, Dan Geppert, Max Harres, Rob Belleville, Nathan Harres, Head Coach Chuck Hasenstab, **Third Row:** Dan Pietroburgo, Ricky Kusmer, Jeff Wilson, Rick Bremer, Eric Rohr, Chris Hornbostel, Tony Harris, Chris Schaeffer



BOYS' TRACK/Front Row: Chris Pusczak, Kyle Hicks, Josh McKnight, Andrew Allen, Kenny Powers, Dan Prescott, Matt Grotsky, Brad Pickerel, John Floyd, **Second Row:** Nick Borkowski, Marquee Smith, RaShad Douglas, Tervaughn McSellers, Ryan Edgar, Chris Breeden, Blake Martin, Anthony Priest, Ryan Eller, Kevin Frank, **Third Row:** manager Jason Greive, Tom Trautt, Andy Maxfield, Arthur Sargent, Bobby Jones, Gary Powers, Donta Abram, DeJuan Cotton, Mike Barton, **Fourth Row:** Coach John Scherrer, Coach Brian Capell, Nick Buescher, Tom Germann, Joe Skortz, Marcus D'Addio, Brett Wobbe, Sean McPeak, Ryan Frank, Guillermo Davis, Warren Heagans, Coach Woody Burnett, Coach Gary Weshinskey, **Back Row:** manager Kristina Floyd, manager Jennifer Riesenberger, Alex Williams, Jedediah Hawk, Mike Delaney, Eric Unger, Richard Kaemmerer, Chris Kramer, Mike Kiefer, manager Sarah Akin. Not pictured: Uhlon Rich, Dorian Brogers, Mario Crumble, Jessie Minor

VARSITY SOFTBALL/Front Row: Catherine Ciabbatoni, Julie Esker, Lauren Meyer, **Second Row:** Krissy Poston, Chrissy Nagel, Amy Quirin, Cati Schmitt, Kelly Zike, Kendra Campbell , **Third Row:** Head Coach Robert Yagge, Julie O, co-captain Randi Beare, Jamie Bereitschaft, co-captain Lauren Roney, Assistant Coach Mark Lanxon

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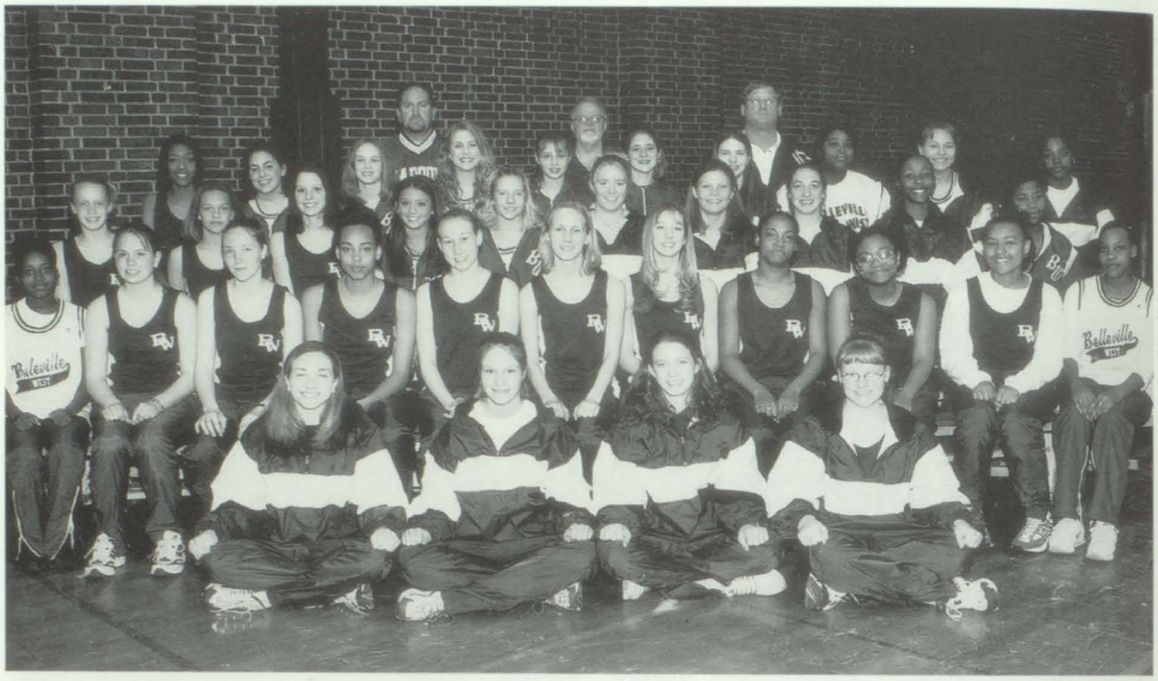
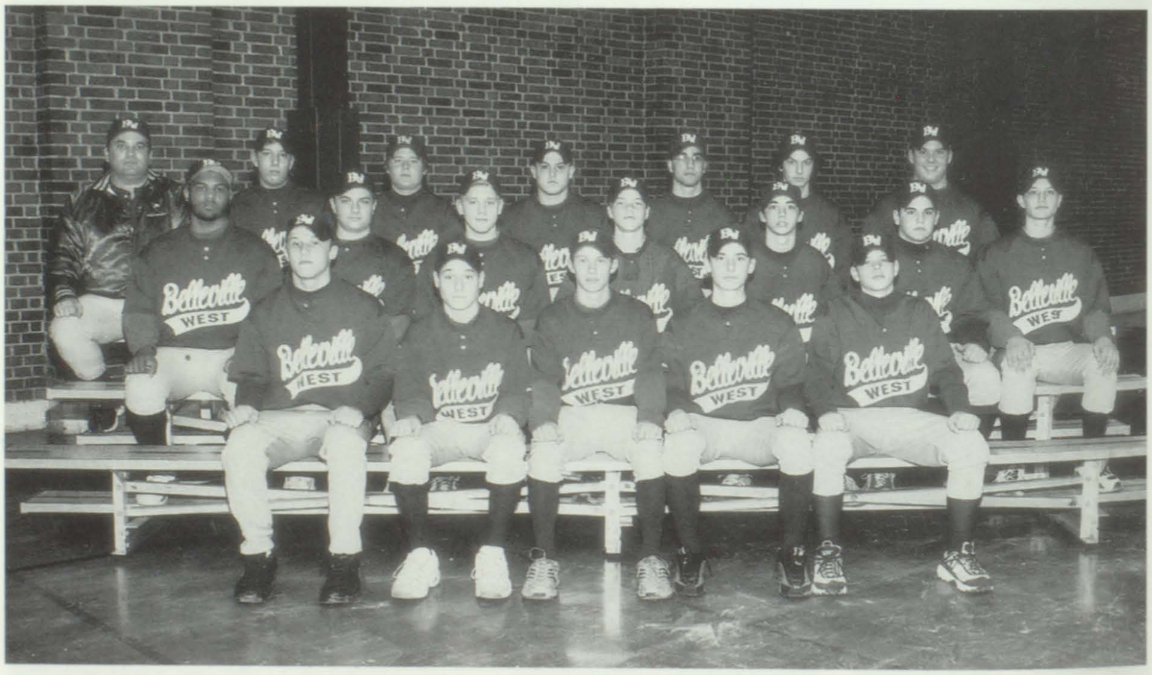
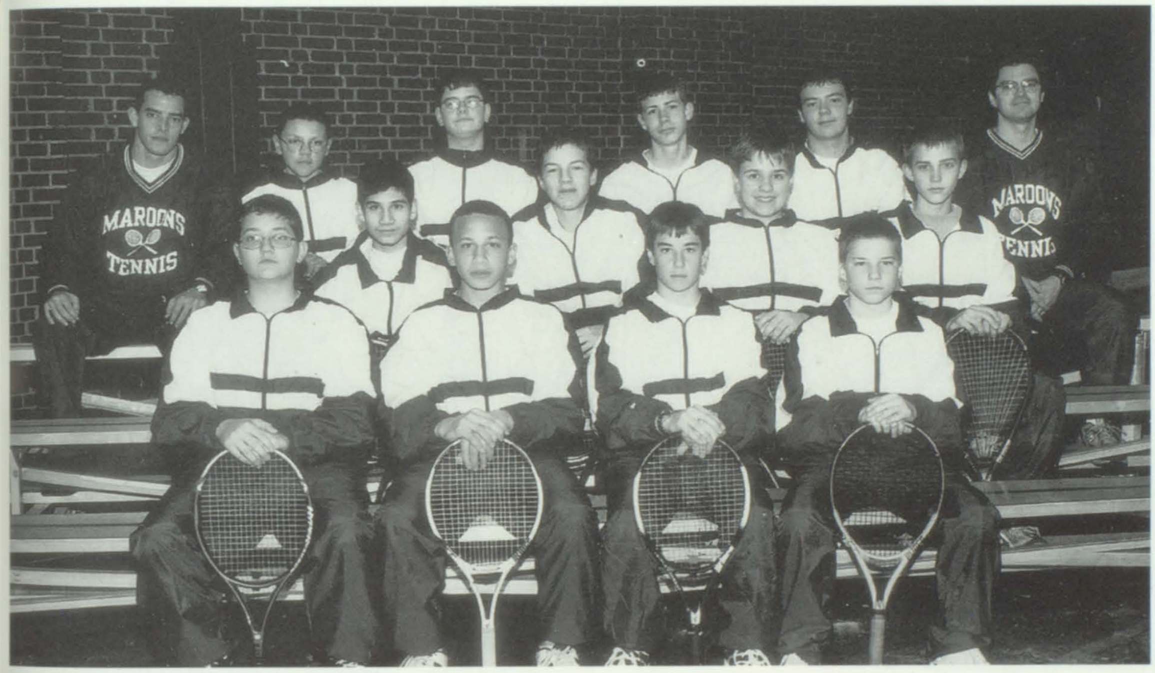
GIRLS' TRACK/Front Row: Jessica Jobin, Suzy Fitzgerald, Ashlee Kreher, Lisa Tinney, **Second Row:** Trina Jones, Courtney Perryman, Charity Lennens, Shelia Fourman, Caili Kilhoffer, Kristen Keel, Kari Knobeloch, Marketta Wayne, Alysa Riley, Carla Bridges, Kendra Ivory, **Third Row:** Megan Zahn, Chelsea Hulse, Diehla Feerer, Jennifer Willeford, Sharita Ward, Rachael Huwer, Anna Mehrtens, Christine Betz, Farren Brown, **Fourth Row:** Tracy Walker, Shelly Piquard, Justine Stueckel, Tiffany Urich, Leslie Obst, Stacey Obst, Micki Evansco, Dontaliesha Dancy, Jenny Tinney, Stacey Thompson, **Fifth Row:** Coach Paul James, Coach Charles Rodman, Coach Phil Highsmith



JV BASEBALL/Front Row: Jay Martin, Mike Knaus, Brandon Riley, Todd Horn, Alan Morgando, **Second Row:** Chris Harris, Beau Barfield, Zach Rakowski, Cole Harres, Tim Maggio, Adam Rhein, Nick Greenfield, **Third Row:** Coach Clendenin, Josh Luetkemeyer, Steve Pfershy, Justin Lock, Eric Alberter, Jon Galanti, Greg Becker



VARSITY GIRLS' SOCCER/Front Row: Jamie Weier, Courtney Tiemann, Jill Wolfmeier, Katie Wilburn, Amanda Roesch, **Second Row:** Cecilia Modarelli, Jenny Vander Pluym, Jamie Graham, Tiffany Tauchert, Tiffany Anderson, Anna Musial, Dee Weilbacher, Jenny Weier, **Third Row:** Coach Jeremy Stopka, Mike Schinner (manager), Becca Dietrich, Meagan Graul, Julie Ehret, Christian Deihl, Laura Underhill, Randi Roberts, Josh Brownfield (manager), coach Jason Mathenia. Not pictured: Ashley Knepper



JV BOYS' TENNIS/Front Row: Andy Wood, Patrick Hart, Blake McKinney, Kyle Wilburn, **Second Row:** Mark Marifian, Charlie Johnson, Adam Becherer, Kyle Dent, **Third Row:** Head Coach Andy Brunner, Tim Peterson, Ryan Witt, Padraic McPeak, Brandon Lybarger, Assistant Coach Joe Lombardi

VARSITY BOYS' TENNIS/Front Row: David Hardin, Blake McKinney, Mark Young, Clayton Clark, **Second Row:** Head Coach Andy Brunner, Matt Dahm, Andrew Altman, Drew Perryman, Mark Marifian, Sean Taylor, Assistant Coach Joe Lombardi

This year,

there was a new way to get to downtown Belleville. A new route opened near the sixth block of West Main Street which sends cars directly to the fountain. Belleville city leaders felt that this improvement would allow citizens more ease in using Belleville's downtown businesses. Meanwhile, the old coupler that sends traffic around downtown is still widely in use.

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CLASS OF 2002 BABY ADS

Shannon (Strobo),

You'll be going places now. We love you and are very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Daniel

Jacqueline (Morrison),

A sweet baby with chipmunk cheecks to a beautiful young lady, we could not have been blessed with a more wonderful daughter. Make the world a better place, Jackie.

We'll love you forever,
Mom and Dad

Eric (Rohr),

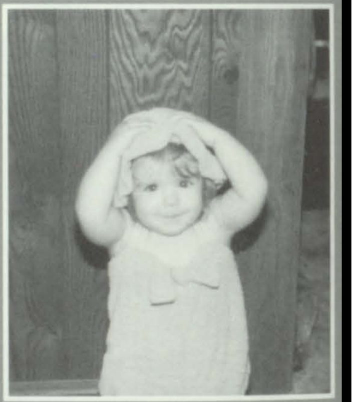
You've reached yet another milestone in life. With your confidence, abilities, determination and opportunities in baseball, your best years are yet to come. Believe in yourself ... You will succeed.

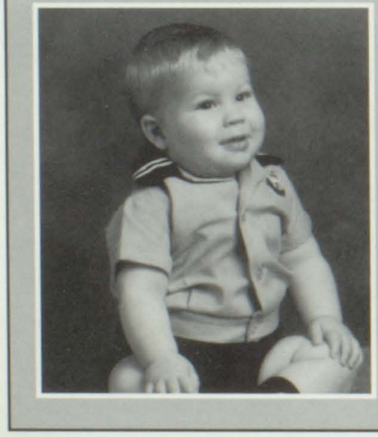
Love you always,
Mom, Dad and Megan

Jaci (Shofner),

Congratulations, Jaci Shofner. Thanks for all the joy you have brought to out lives. We are so proud of you. We love you!!

Mom and Dad





Andy (Ficker),

No one has earned that diploma more than you. Reach for the stars and follow your dream. We love you,

Dad and Mom

Tom (Germann),

Congratulations! We're proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad
and Krista

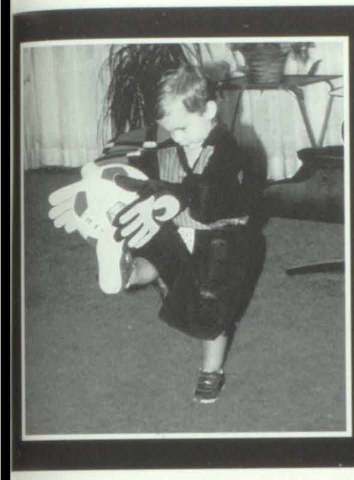
Jennifer (Hutchison),

Congratulations
Jennifer Hutchison
Our little sweet pea
You have made us so proud in every way.
We love you more than we can say.
Enjoy your college years.

Love,
Mom,Dad and Chris

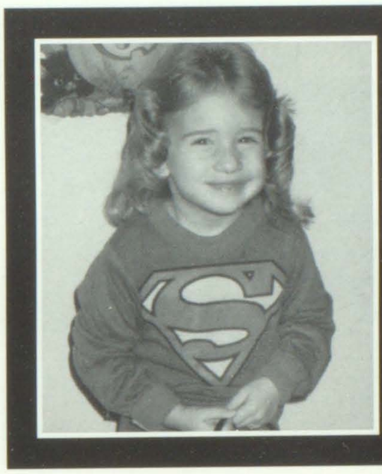
Jennifer (Schmidt),

Jennifer, we wish you much happiness— your self-confidence, friendliness and determination will take you far. Remember our fun times at golf courses, seadoving and family vacations.
Love,
Mom, Dad and Justin



Kyle (Zaber),

Congratulations, "Soccer Boy!" You finally grew into that uniform. Keep focused, believe in yourself, and follow your dreams. Success is doing what you love and loving what you do! Cherish your family, friends and high school memories.
Love ya,
Mom & Dad



Lyssa (Carel),

You Are a Super Girl! We Are Proud of You!

Love,
Dad, Mom,
Kyle and Konnor

Lisa (Bieri),

We are so proud of you. Keep your great attitude and you will continue to accomplish anything you desire in life.
Love,
Mom, Dad & Lauren

Lance (Mayer),

May laughter always be at the "center" of your life. Thanks for being such a joy in our lives.

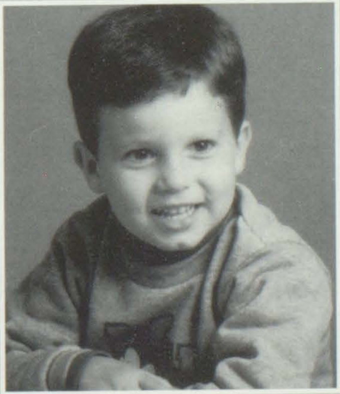
Love,
Mom, Dad,
and Luke

Hilary (Bennett),

We wish you all the best life has to offer. Hang on tight. Enjoy the ride as you pursue your dreams.

Love always,

Mom and Dad



Jon (Brough),

We are so proud of you! As you reach for the stars, remember to take the time to enjoy the view.

Love always,
Dad, Mom and Paul

Josh (Weidler),

You've grown into a fine young man and I couldn't be prouder. May all your dreams come true. I know you'll achieve great success in college and in life. We love you.

Mom, Bobby and John

Sara (Nicholson),

Here's hoping that life after high school will be a smooth road and all you want. You are a special "Joy." We love you lots.

Mom, Dad, Jamie & Katie

Brook "Nicci" (Hanvey),

We are all so proud of you. What a beautiful person, inside and out, you've become.

Love to you always and forever,

Your Family & Friends

Rachel (Huwer),

Congratulations, Rachel!

Your mommy and daddy love you.

Christopher (Edwards),

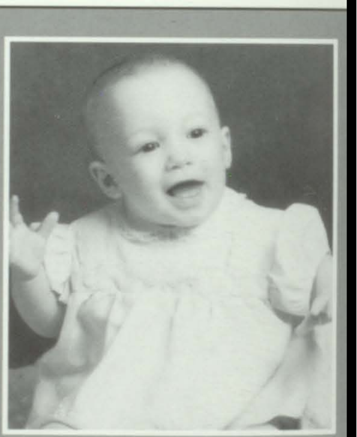
It has been a joy watching you grow up. We are proud of the man you have become.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Juliann (Webster),

Keep following your dreams, but always remember, "There's No Place Like Home."

Love Always,
Mommy, Daddy, Amy and William



Christine (Betz),

Congratulations, Christine! We are all very proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Catherine, Austin, Robyn, Jason and Derek

Thomas "T.J." (Jenkins),

As you have grown, you have been a wonder. Now that you are a man, we are so proud of how you turned out! May God Bless your future. We are always there for you.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Ben and Mary

Stephen Wesley (Sedlak),

Job Well Done,
"Steve O" ...

All our LOVE,
Mom and Dad

Brittany (Schwartz),

Congratulations, Brittany Schwartz. We are so proud of the beautiful young woman you have grown up to be. Always be happy. Enjoy your college years!

We love you so much,
Mom, Dad & Ashley

Taressa (Howard),

Congratulations, Taressa Howard. Thank you for giving us so many reasons to be proud of you. Keep up the good work!
All Our Love,
Mom, Dad, Keith
and Maverick

Joey & Katie (McManus),

I'm very proud of you both! Follow your dreams, be true to yourself and be happy!

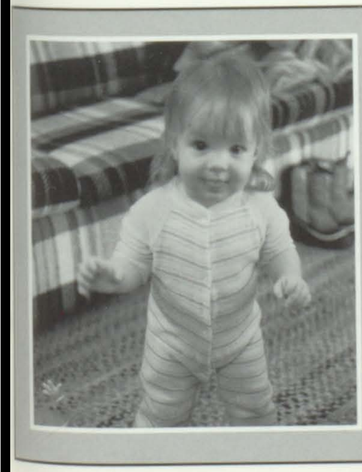
I love you,
Mom

Jessica (Reuter),

We feel blessed and very proud to have you as our daughter. Your drive to do well and your many talents will take you wherever you want to go.
Always remember,
"I HOPE YOU DANCE."
Love, Mom, Dad & John

Sarah (Mallard),

We are proud of you, and all of your accomplishments. Best of luck in everything you do. You will always be our bright and shining STAR.
We Love You,
Mom, Dad & Tracy



Erin M. (Stack),

Congratulations and Best Wishes as You Step Out into the World!
Love Always,
Mom, Dad, Gena
& Ryan

Ashley (Frischkorn),

Congratulations, Ashley. We are very proud.

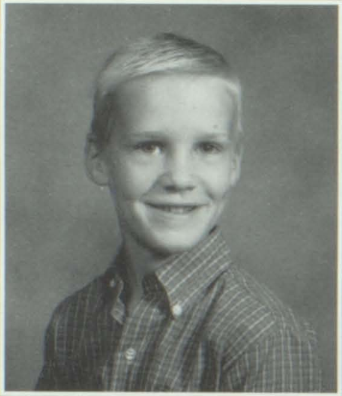
Love,
Mom and Dad

Alicia (Herzing),

You are so special to us! YOu have frown from an adorable baby girl into a beautiful young woman. Never stop smiling that sweet smile! Never stop laughing that wonderful laugh! And never ever forget all of the "mistreated middle child" memories. We are so very proud of you! We love you, always and forever,
Mom, Dad, Ashley& Abby

Scottie (Poole),

Congratulations on a job well done. We are so proud of you and love you very much. Now go shoot for the stars!
Love
Mom, Dad, and Lyndsay



Jake (Holtgrewe),

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a strong mind."
II Timothy 1:7
Go for it, Jake!
We love you,
Your family XOXO

Josh (Luecking),

Congratulations #43
Love,
Dad, Mom, Sheri, John, Jenny, Joy, Jamie, Jordon, & Katie

Melie(Kaiser),

You have never stopped giving us reasons to be proud. Your opportunities are endless.
We love you,
Dad, Mom, and Cindy

Danielle(Darby),

Moma &Daddy's Baby Girl:
You have come a long way from a rose bud to a full bloomed rose, congratulations on completion of your first hurdle of life... Keep up the good work.

Lisa (Kadlec),

To our little lifeguard. We are proud of all your accomplishments. We know you will do great in college. May all your dreams come true. Love,
Mom, Dad, Mike, &Ryan

Tiffany (Chandler),

Our hearts were overwhelmed with joy the day you were born. We praised your independence, when you took your first steps. Today, you have once again give us a reason to celebrate. Celebrat the woman you have become, the many goals you have and will accomplish. For this we say than you for making us proud.

Courtney (Tiemann),

You are very special
nd we are very proud
of you. Be happy!
Love,
Mom, Dad, and
Mallory

Erin (Cutright),

A.K.A Sarah Elizabeth
Hockey George Trashcan-
Still a beauty!
Love,
Mom

Erica (Weible),

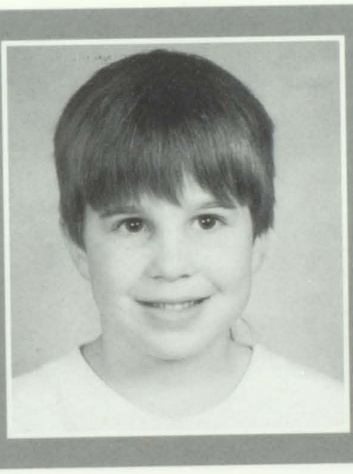
Congratulations,Erica
Keep on smiling!
You can achieve anything with your smile.
Love,
Mom, Dad, & Heather

Scott (Schaefer),

Congratulations! Be true to yourself. Work hard and follow your dreams. We are proud of you.
Love,
Mom &Dad

Dan (Loftus),

Congratulations Dan! We are very proud of the young man that you have become. We wish you the best of luck in all that you do. Always remember we love you and X^30^3.
Love,
Mom, Jerry, Bill &Steve



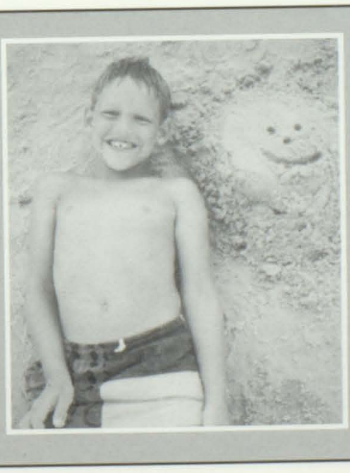
Emily (Vogel),

You are an extraordinary person with qualities that will lead you to a lifetime of success and happiness.

Because we're your parents, we'll always be dreaming and cheering for you, wishing that your greatest wishes come true.
We love you so very much-
Congratulations!
Mom and Dad

Teresa (Rivera),

We are proud of you on your accomplishments that you have made now and in the future to come. We love you and good luck in your college years.
Love,
Mom, Danielle, Lauren,
&Phil.



Daniel (Veile),

Congratulations Smiley Veile. Good luck in college. We love you.
Dad, Mom, and
Beth

Heather (Carter),

We are so proud of you. Keep up the good work! We love you very much.

Dad, Mom & Katelyn

Meagan (Carel)),

We love you very much and will always be proud of you. You are the "queen of our hearts."
We love you Me-Me,
Dad, Mom, Jessica and Brandon

Craig (Culash),

You climed your way to the top and made it. We are so very proud of you. You are the best son we could ever ask for.
All Our Love
Mom & Dad & Tanya

Sara (Jones),

Congratulations
Enjoy your music!
Fallow your heart, your faith, and your dreams and you will always find success!
Love,
Dad, Mom, and Lori

Ian (Randall),

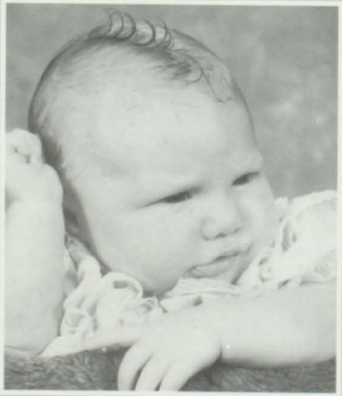
You have given us so many great memories and endless joy. Here's to the future all our love and prayers to make it as special and unique as your are.
Dad, Mom, "brother"

Kelly LaTrice (Kendrick),

Dear God,
You gave us a bird,
Now let her fly far far away (smile)
Please keep your loving arms around our precious daughter both night &day.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Justin, (Jack & Kokoa)

Stephanie (Thompson),

We are so proud of you!
Keep reaching for your dreams.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Matt, Amanda



Natalie(Carr),

Time passes by so quickly, we often leave important thoughts unspoken...
...like telling you what a really wonderful daughter you are, or how much i really LOVE you.
Congratulations.
With all my LOVE,
Dad

Tony (Harris),

To our son, our friend,
our source of endless pride!
You've become a fantastic
adultand are sure to go far!
We love you,
Dad & Cheri
Jorgen, Buckwheat,
Mutley, Oliver, & Che Che

DeaShantea (Bester),

Even when times are rough and the road seems never ending, believe me when I say I'll never stop loving you. Stay strong and stand your ground and I'll always respest you. I'm continuously cheering for your happiness and your success. I Love You!
Mom

Daniel (Rybicki),

We are very proud of you. We wish for you health happiness and success in all that you do. You're capable of great things!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Matthew, and Tyler

Molly (Mernick),

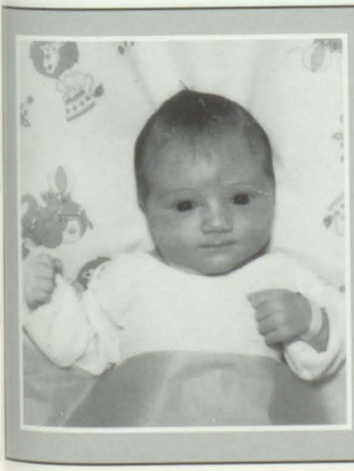
Keep up your hard work, perseverance, and God will continue to bless it. We are proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Sarah, D.J., Michael, and Anna

Meghan (Dill),

You will find Success in whatever you do, You can achieve anything if you want to only one thing can defeat you and that is "you"
I love you,
Mom

Jennifer (Hubble),

Jennifer M. Hubble
You are a special joy, we are so proud. Always believe in yourself. We know you will have a great future. We Love you.
Mom and Dad



Lindsay (Jorns),

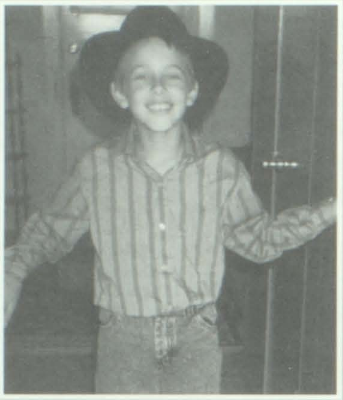
You are a beautiful, bright, and talented young woman. You will succeed... and we are very proud of you. Good luck and have a great time in college.
Remember we love you
Mom, Dad and Curtis

James(Walden),

Andy,
Your life will always be a source of joy and pride for us. Congratulations on your graduation to Heaven.
Love always,
Mom, Dad, Johnathan, Rebecca, Katie Evelyn

Travis (Yates),

We are so proud of you! We wish you God's blessings in all that you do. Semper fi.
With love,
Dad, Cathy and all
p.s. Whose jeans are those anyway?



Brian (Howard),

Enjoy life. Be happy. Be true to yourself and you will succeed. You will always have our love and support. We are very proud of you.

Love,
Mom and Brad

Todd (Davis),

You are a strong willed and determined young man who has the world at his fingertips. You can do whatever you want with your life and be successful!! Good luck at college.

Love, Mom, Dad and Chris

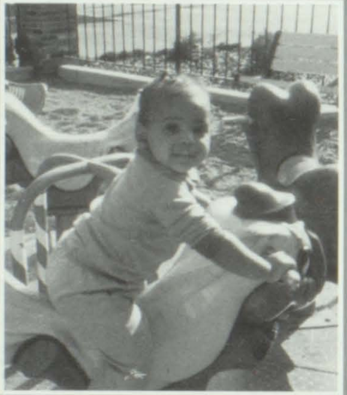
Jamie (Graham),

Life! Gobble it up! Congrats, Big Chew! We love you!

Mom, Dad,
Julie and Leo

Mia (Banks),

My child, aheritage from the Lord, a reward. From Him, she's a beautiful, wise and funny young lady, someone to whom I've enjoyed being a parent, she has brought much love to my heart, she's my friend, my daughter,
Mia De'Shae Banks



Meagan (Gebhart),

May All Your Dreams Come True!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Mick & Melody

Jamie (Hugyez),

Little Hubba Bubba! From Kindergarten to senior year, you haven't changed. Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Brandon, Erica & Paige

Melinda (Sugar),

We are so proud of you! May all your dreams come true.

Love,
Mom, Father and Kara

Bob (Prescott)

Congratulations! We love you! Keep aiming high and trusting the Lord.

Love,
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Dan & Jim

Crystal (Robertson)

Keep smiling and you'll go far! You have made us very proud!

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Mom and Dad

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Congratulations, Jennifer! We're proud of you and all your accomplishments. Good luck in all you do.

Love,
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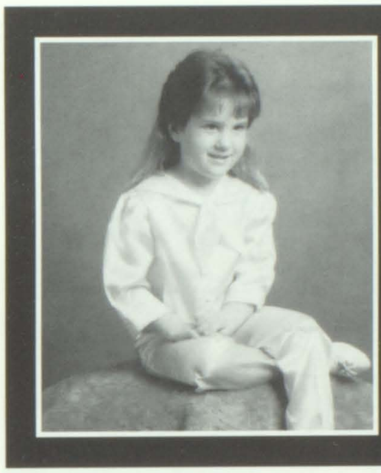


Ashley (Forness),

From little Dink to high school graduate. You've come a long way from whiny little girl to mature young adult. It's been fun to watch you grow. Congratulations, Ugh!

Love, Mom and Dad

Nathan (Miller),

We are always amazed but never surprised at your accomplishments. "To be thrown upon one's own resources, is to be cast into the very lap of fortune; for our faculties then undergo a development and display an energy of which they were previously unsusceptible."

- Ben Franklin

All our love,
Mom, Dad, Candice, Taylor and Victoria

Anna (Carson),

You were a miracle a true gift to Dad and I when you were born. Courageous, considerate and kind are words that describe you. You had the courage to go to school without a tear. Kind words were always near and caring for others never stopped. A dream too, Anna. Never stop being you.

Love, Mom and Dad

Kevin (Siddle),

Such a cute baby! Now a handsome young man off to Eastern Illinois University. We're very proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Jonathan

Amy (Keel),

It's been 18 years since God blessed us with our 1st baby girl! We're so proud of all your accomplishments. Keep God in your life and your dreams will come true.

Love always, Mom & Dad

Matt (Germann),

Congratulations!
We wish you the best.
Love you lots,

Mom, Dad and Cassie

Scott (Marchand),

Congratulations to adorable last child. We are very proud of you.

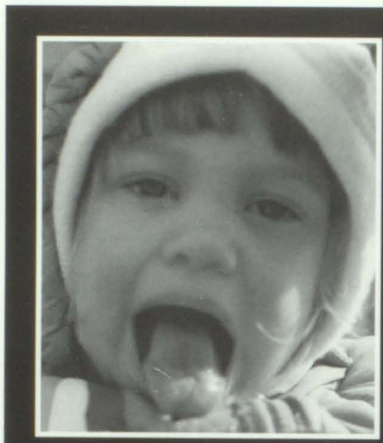
Mom and Dad

Jessica (Canale),

"I love you as big as the sky for a thousand times."

I'll always be proud of you!!

Love and "Pinky Holds"
Forever,
MOM



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Congratulations, Rachel!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Jennifer and Otto

Mindy (Hubbard),

We are very proud of you. We wish for you success, love, hapiness, and health. Follow your heart and keep smiling. Remember always, we love you!!!

Mom, Dad, Michael &
Mallory

Tara (Altmansberger),

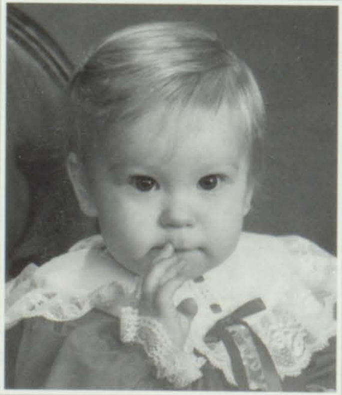
Congratulations, Tara! With pride for all you've been, with joy for all you are, with hope for all you'll be, and love for always!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Ryan and Tricia

Kara (Valentin),

Let's celebrate another phase in your life. May you be blessed with happiness and contentment, with a desire to live life to the fullest.

With Pride,
Dad, Mom and Taylor



Danielle (Jordan),

To our first born baby girl, who we cherish and love. We thank God everyday for giving us our little Goose. Congratulations with all our love.

XOXO,
Dad, Mom, Gabrielle
and Cameron

Paul (Toenjes),

You've always marched to the beat of your own "trombone." You are one of a kind, and we love you for it. Continue to be your own man and you'll accomplish great things. "Create all the happiness you are able to create; Remove all the misery you are able to remove ... and you shall find peace and joy in the sanctuary of your soul." Live, love and never stop dreaming. We love you. -Dad, Mom and Libby

Dusty (Carpenter),

Always special to Mom and
Dad,
Now you are a high school
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We love you with all our heart,
Make us proud on your new
start.

Mom, Dad and Jonathon

Ryan (Frank),

We are so proud of you and all of your hard work. Don't ever be afraid to take "the road less traveled" in order to make a difference. Remember, you always have our love and support.

Love,
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Tiffany (Veath),

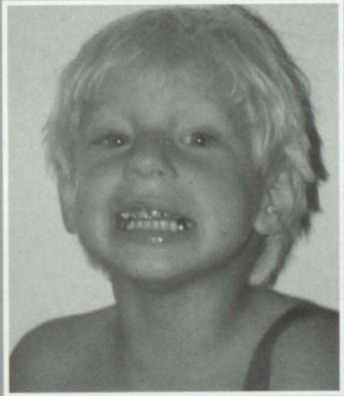
We are very proud of you and wish you all the best in the future.

Love always,
Mom, Dad and
Ryan

Brett (Alberter),

Congratulations. Great job, PeeWee! You have succeeded in so many ways. You have made us very proud. Stay just as you are, and you will go far.

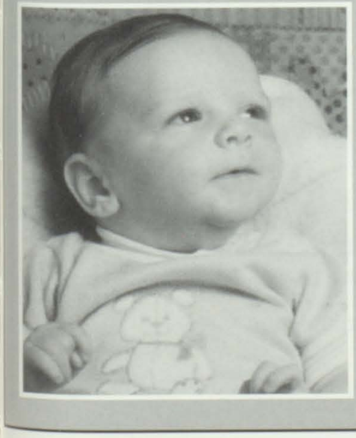
Love,
Dad, Mom,
Mandy and Blake



Lauren (Hasenstab),

We are proud of everything you have done. You know you can alone achieve anything you want. We love you!!

Mom, Dad, Alli & David



Kyle (Harris),

Good Luck
and
Congratulations!

Love,
Mom & Melissa

BABY ADS
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Andria,

I remember when you were born, two weeks early. You weighed barely four pounds when we brought you home. You were our miracle, a precious gift of life. I spent many hours watching you sleep, tiny fingers and toes, curled into a little ball, wispy hair poking from beneath a flannel blanket, sweet baby breaths.

I remember your first steps, teetering precariously on the kitchen linoleum, white leather shoes with jingle bell laces, mustered determination, one step and then another. In no time you were racing alongside Chelsea, immersed in the business of twins, waving at me from across the yard. "Bye bye Momma."

I remember your first day of school, spotless in your new flowered dress, bookbag clutched in your little hand, ponytail bobbing away from me into an exciting world. "Bye Mom. See you after kindergarten."

I remember all those first days of each school year, posing for a photo, white sneakers gleaming in the August morning. Each year you grew a little more into your own, smart, adventurous, hopeful, independent. "Bye Mom. See you after school."

I remember your junior high graduation dance, all dressed up, meticulous beauty queen hair, a bit of makeup, sparkly jewelry, a nervous grin, a quick hug, dash out the door; and me waving proudly, a smile for my girl, a lump in my throat. "Bye Mom. I'll be home later."

I remember your first day driving, permit in hand, confidence front and center. Did you know I was terrified? Whew! We made it through. You proudly carry your driver's license, a badge of maturity, wheels with which to see the world. "Bye Mom. Do you have any money for gas?"

I remember our first university campus visit, following behind a tour guide, excited, apprehensive, and me trying to imagine your calling a dorm room "home". Next August will be here in the blink of an eye. Another first day of school for you. "Bye Mom. I'll see you at Thanksgiving."

Always remember no matter how many goodbyes we share, your dad and I will always be here, a safe place where you can come home. You are still our miracle, our gift of life, blessing us with much love and laughter. Dad and I are very proud of you honey. Chase your dreams wherever they lead and know that we love you.
Always, Mom

Chelsea,

I can't imagine where the past seventeen years have gone. Just yesterday I was chasing you as you explored your environment with determined wonder. Your strong spirit of independence blossomed as you adapted to being the oldest twin, stuck in the middle between an older sister and a younger sister. You amazed me then as you amaze me now. You are unique and unfazed by what anyone else thinks you ought to be. You are compassionate and take time to discover the good in people. Never lose that ability. You are confident, daring, smart, determined And vibrant. You have a bright future ahead. Keep dreaming and above all be willing to work hard to see your dreams come true.

As you make your way on your journey through life, you will experience days of joy and days of frustration. Remember there is a lesson and something good in every situation. Don't be afraid to fail. Know this, when things go well and the sun shines warmly on your world, you have a mom and dad who love you. And on those days when you are overwhelmed and confused, you have a mom and dad who love you. Wherever life takes you we will always be here, ready to welcome you home. Your dad and I are both very proud of you Chel. Jump into your future with both feet. The world is full of opportunities, reach for your dreams, choose wisely, and believe in yourself.

Always, Mom

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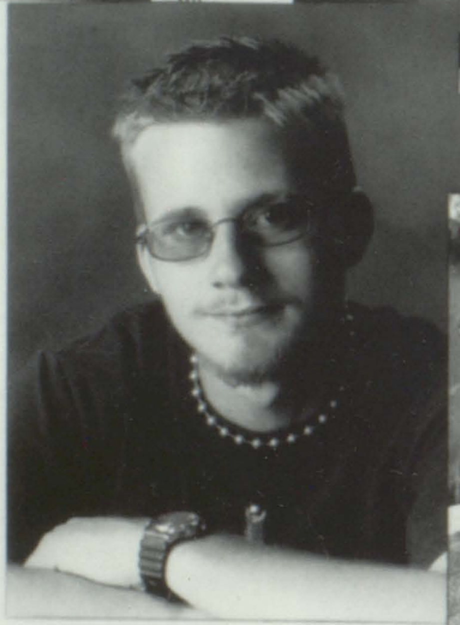

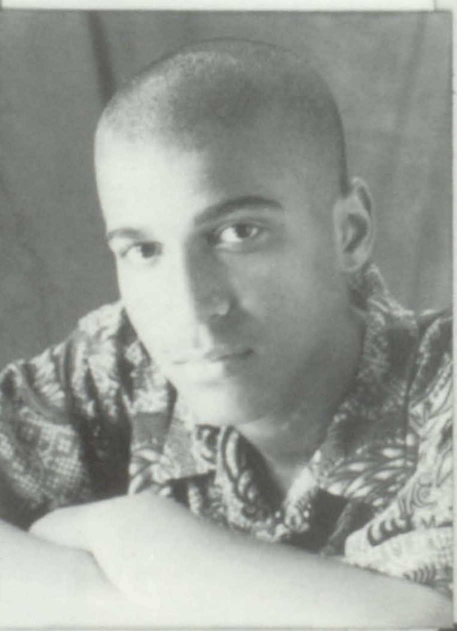

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We are so proud of you! You are very special to us. Good luck in everything you do, and remember, the sky is the limit.

Love,
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Jamie (Bereitschaft),

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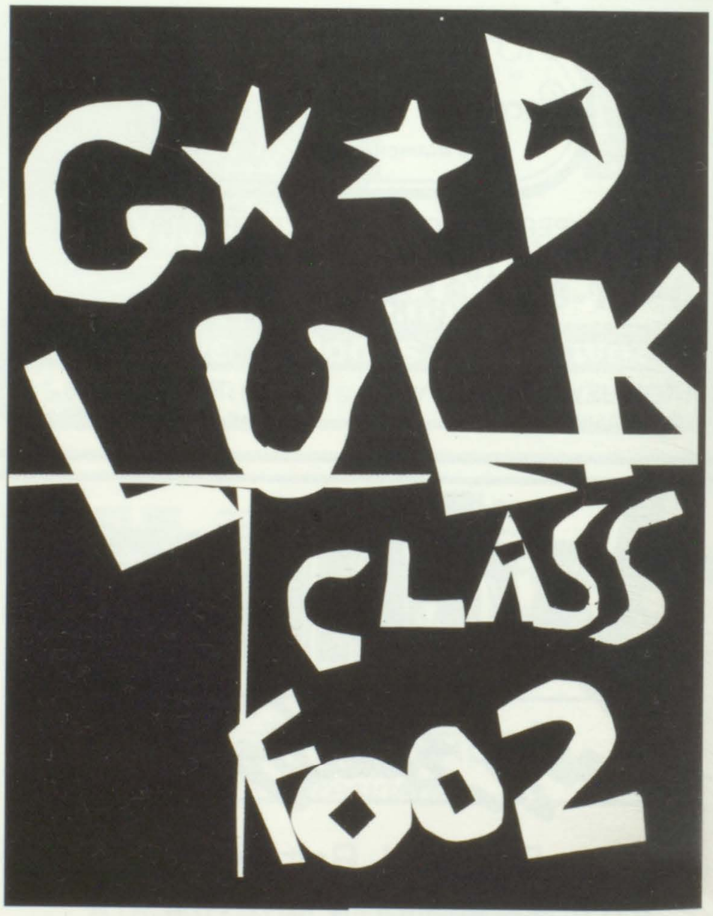

Congratulations, Amanda!

We love you so much! "You have the wings of an angel." The time has come for our angel to try out her wings on her own.

We are so proud of the "Puter." You are one very special young woman. No matter what obstacle is put in front of you, try harder and you succeed. You have worked hard. The world is yours! Hold on to your dreams, never give them up and keep reaching for the stars.

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Love to you always,

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Mrs. B.

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Love, Your Little Ballerinas

Amanda, Tammi, Ashley:
Congrats! Good Luck!
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Tears in our eyes:
The Girls

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Tina Turkey & Heidi GoSeek:
We'll miss you!
- Stewart, Sarah, Lindsay,
Dan & Jordan

Ms. Casper,
Thanks to you we got to meet P.O.D.!
You're the best!
- your photography students

Congratulations Sarah!
Thanks for always being there…with the car!
Love your Sis,
Lori

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Love, Monica

- Congratulations and best wishes, seniors. (Physics is awesome.) Mr. Rogier

- Kelly-

Remember, always eat buffalo wings; they taste better than chicken, and remember us whenever you eat Laffy Taffy!

Love ya,
Melissa, Sarah and Lauren

- Christine,

I'm gonig to miss the midnight swims in my pond in February! Remember to save the tupperware. I miss you already.

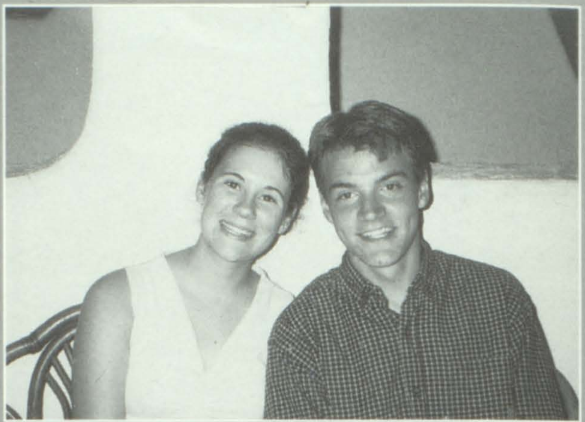
Love, Lauren

- We'll miss you, Siddle, Greg, & Tisch!

Love, Amanda & Jody

- Great job, Bellevinois, 2002

The Wells Family



Birthday Buddies
Sarah & Brandon
August 3rd

- Jamie, Julie, Randi, Roney:

We've had great softball memories the past two years. You girls are great. Best of luck in college.

Love, Julie (Puddles)

- Dear Seniors,

You girls really stepped up and took control this year. Good luck in your futures.

Love always, Becky Randolph

- Congratulations to the Class of 2002; we wish you the best!

The West Orchestra

- Goodbye, *Bellevinois* seniors!

Thank you for helping create another labor of love, our 2002 yearbook. We will sincerely miss you.

Mr. Johnson

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the lions, tiger and bears of a year in the wilds of West, we finally realized we are not really stuck (or marooned) here. One year on this "island" can change your life forever (usually for the better). So bury *the* embarrassing *moments*, the not-so-good grades and the Monday mornings. Instead, *treasure* the good times. This travelogue is a treasure chest full of *our memories*, good and bad, *of* another year at *West*. • *Danielle Borsch & Sarah Jones*

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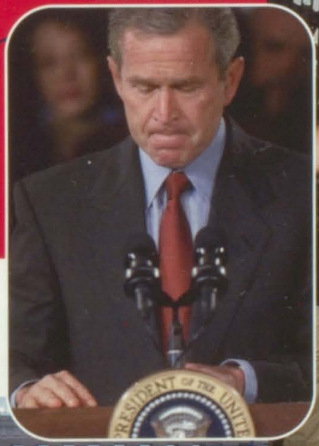

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WE WILL NEVER FORGET

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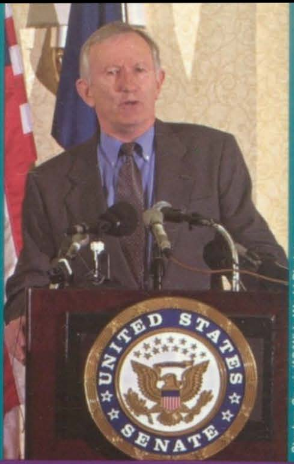
← California residents endure drastic electricity shortages in the fall. To support energy conservation measures Jay Leno stages an "unplugged" episode of NBC's "The Tonight Show."

→ Democrats gain majority control of the Senate for the first time since 1994 when Vermont Senator James Jeffords leaves the Republican Party because of his opposition to President Bush's agenda.



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↙ Argentina's economy collapses, sparking deadly anti-government protests and looting as the country reaches an unemployment rate of 18% and a budget deficit of $11 billion.

↓ During a year marked by economic recession, Americans open their hands, and wallets, to much-anticipated IRS rebate checks.

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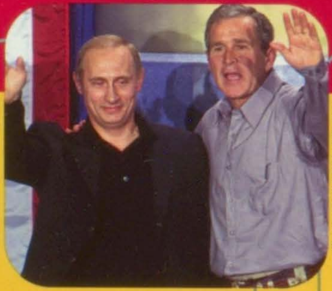

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↑ Russian President Vladimir Putin and President Bush agree to cut nuclear missile arsenals by nearly two-thirds. Later, Bush unilaterally pulls out of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty to pursue a missile defense system.

UNITED
Departures

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← Americans face armed guards and tighter check-in procedures as airport security restrictions are heightened following the terrorist attacks on September 11.

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↑ Japanese Crown Princess Masako gives birth to a baby girl in December. The birth generates fresh debate about male-only succession to Japan's throne.

→ Americans face another form of terror when anthrax-laced letters are sent to members of Congress and the media. Five people are killed in the attacks, and clean-up of government buildings costs millions of dollars.

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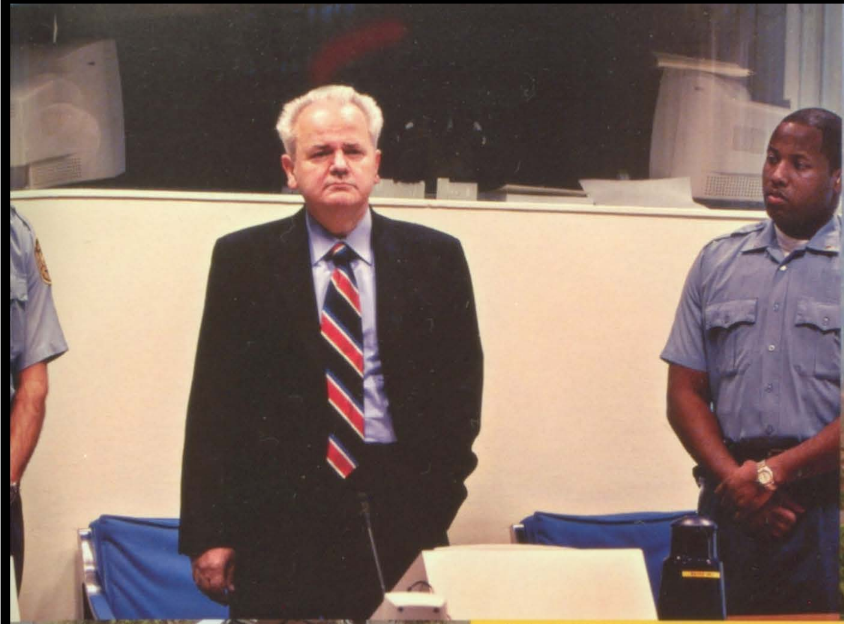

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↑ Former Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic faces the International Tribunal in The Hague for U.N. war crimes, including the murder and persecution of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo.

↑ Twenty-eight youths are arrested for starting bush fires that destroy hundreds of thousands of acres of forest and farmland and kill thousand of koalas and kangaroos in southeast Australia.

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↓ American Airlines Flight 587 crashes into a Queens neighborhood in New York City on November 12, killing all 255 people on board. Structural failure of the plane's tail assembly apparently causes the tragedy.

↓ Convicted Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh is executed by lethal injection for destroying the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in April 1995, killing 168 people.

↑ After Houston energy giant Enron collapses, thousands lose their life savings, accounting firm Arthur Andersen encounters accusations of unethical practices, and the General Accounting Office sues the Executive Branch for confidential transcripts in its investigation of the scandal.

↑ Violent Israeli-Palestinian confrontations escalate as Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and PLO Leader Yasser Arafat struggle to find an answer to their countries' ongoing hatred for one another.

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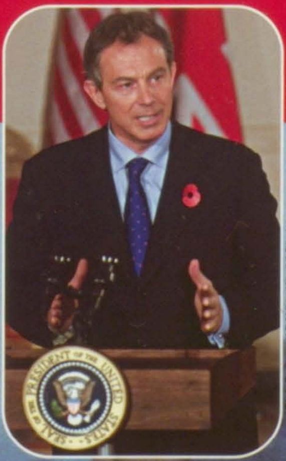
↓ The U.S. welcomes overwhelming support and aid from dedicated allies in Operation Enduring Freedom, including Great Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair.



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↓ U.S. and allied forces mount Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, driving the repressive Taliban regime from power.

↓ President Bush establishes a new cabinet position, Director of Homeland Security, to coordinate the fight against domestic terrorism. Former Pennsylvania governor Tom Ridge becomes the first incumbent.

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↓ As Operation Enduring Freedom begins, the U.S. military airdrops food rations to the starving people of Afghanistan.

ENDURING FREEDOM

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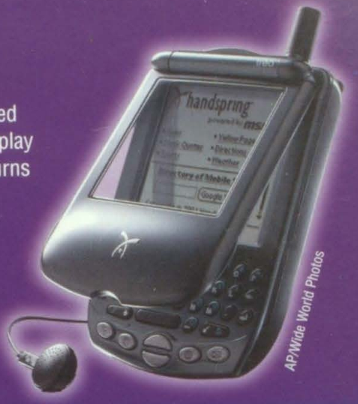
← In November, stargazers are treated to a spectacular shooting star display as the Leonid meteor shower returns after a 33-year absence.

→ Combination PDAs and cellular phones take portable communication to the next level of convenience.



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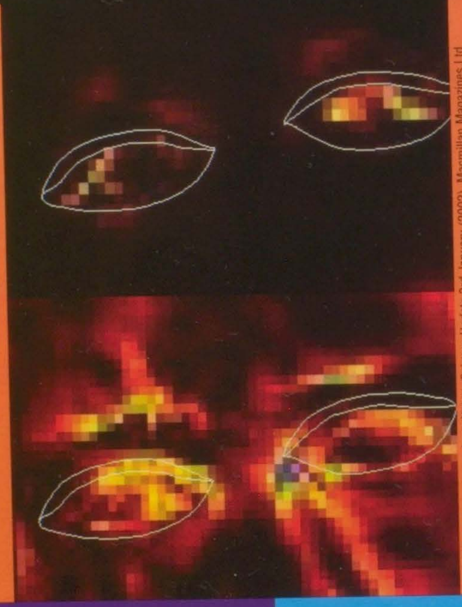
↓ American surgeons in New York perform the first remote control surgery. Signals sent through fiber-optic lines enable robotic surgical arms to operate on a gallbladder patient in France.



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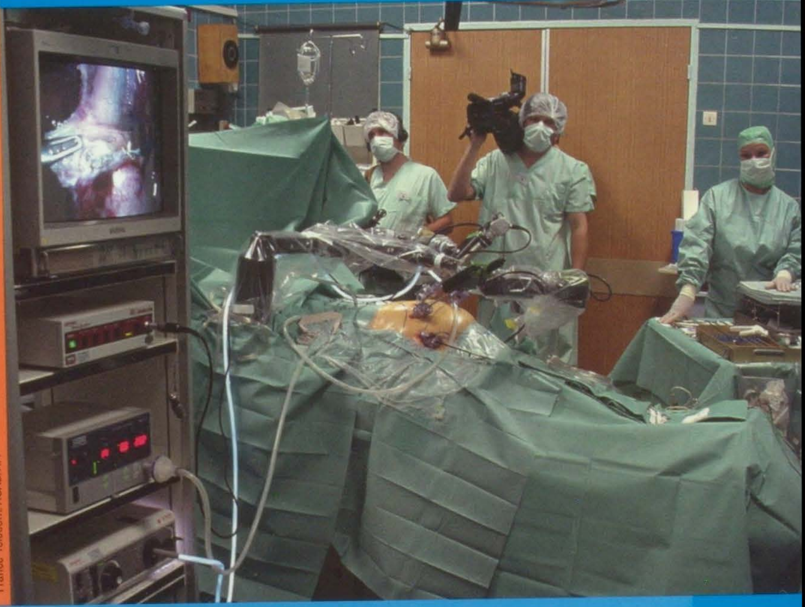
← Researchers at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, unveil a new technology that uses facial heat patterns to detect lying. Blood flows to the face when a person lies, causing dramatic changes in heat patterns.



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Sci-Tech

Beauty and the Beast

WELCOME TO
CRANMORE
ENOUGH WITH SUMMER
CRANMORE MOUNTAIN RESORT
LETS HAVE SOME SNOW

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↑ Scientists at Massachusetts General Hospital discover that beauty triggers a brain response in men that is similar to reactions to cocaine and money.

↑ Winter weather buffs are left out in the heat as Americans experience record warm temperatures across the country in December and January.

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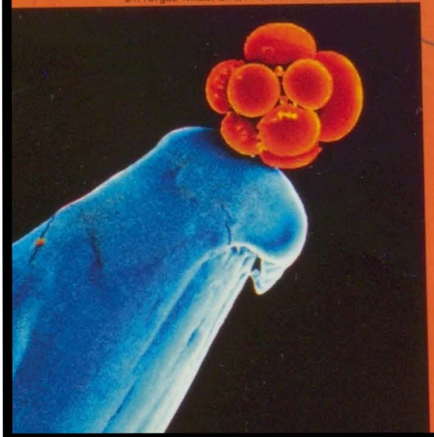

← President Bush approves stem cell research, but only on cells already extracted. The research is highly controversial because extracting the cells kills human embryos.

→ Scientists report that vast fields of carbon dioxide ice are eroding from the poles of Mars. Over time, this could possibly prompt the return of water to the Red Planet.

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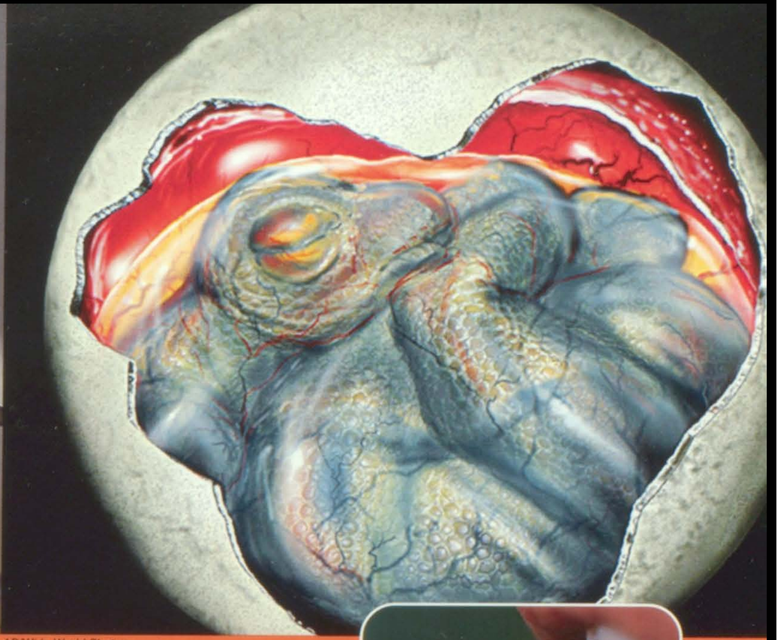

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Japan Marine Science and Technology Center

↑ On November 7, the supersonic Concorde airplane flies for the first time since the July 2000 crash that killed 113 people. Flight F002 travels from Paris to New York in just under four hours.

↑ Scientists in Argentina discover several 80-million-year-old unhatched dinosaur eggs with petrified dinosaur embryos inside.

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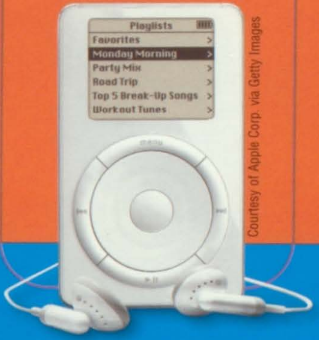
↓ Dr. Judson Somerville donates his own DNA to researchers who produce the first cloned human embryo.

DONATED DNA

LD'S FIRST CLONED BABY

↓ Apple releases the sleek new iPod, allowing users to store up to 1,000 digital song files for on-the-go enjoyment.



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↑ The MR2 camera pill allows doctors to examine the inside of the human intestine without surgery. Patients swallow the "pill," which transmits digital images to a data recorder.

↑ A new class of giant squid is discovered. The new squid can grow to lengths of 25 feet, and has fins and 10 spidery arms with elbows.

↓ The Segway Human Transporter, a gyro-controlled scooter invented by Dean Kamen, is tested by police and postal workers in several states.

↓ The AbioCor, the world's first fully implantable artificial heart, is given to 59-year-old Robert Tools. Sadly, Tools passes away in December from unrelated causes.

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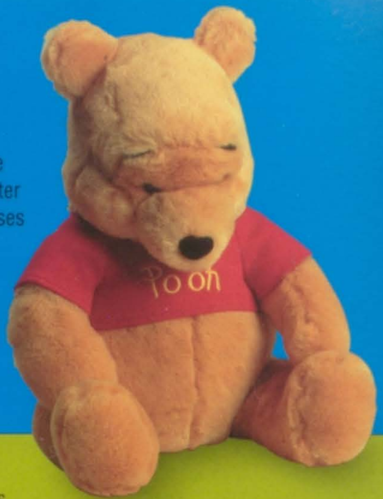
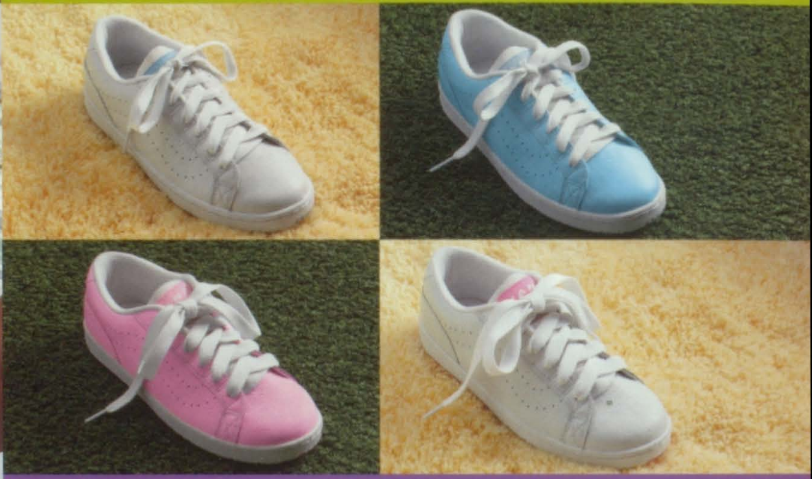
← The American economy enters a recession in March 2001, and the situation worsens significantly after September 11. Unemployment rises to its highest rate in six years.

→ Winnie the Pooh, fondly known by countless children and adults as "the tubby little cubby all stuffed with fluff," celebrates his 75th birthday.



↓ Popular shoemaker Vans releases a shoe of a different color—white shoes that turn yellow, pink or blue in the sunlight.

Marnie Crawford Samuelson



← Summer camps that teach skills to prepare children for the business world become popular with career-conscious kids and parents.

Lifestyle

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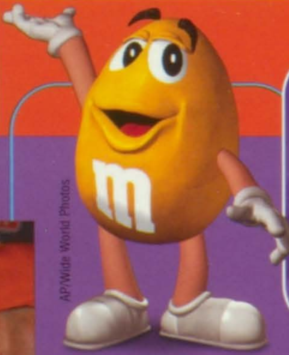

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TRUE LOVE WAITS

↑ M&M/MARS acknowledges the growing Hispanic American population with a new M&M's flavor "dulce de leche," the caramelized sweetened condensed milk mixture popular in Latin America.

← Hollywood pledges support for New York after the September 11 terrorist attacks by making a variety of "I Love NY" fashion statements.

↑ Reacting against sexuality in advertising, music and the arts, young men and women across America join the "true love waits" movement.

→ In the new arcade game Dance Dance Revolution, players watch a dance pattern onscreen and duplicate the moves on a corresponding dance floor.

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↑ Hoping to perpetuate its mystique with motorcycle fans, Harley-Davidson unveils the V-Rod, its first new "hog" in a half-century.

↑ The *Journal of the American Medical Association* reports that childhood obesity has reached epidemic proportions thanks in part to larger fast food servings and in-school soda machines.

Mountain Dew
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Pepsico

↑ Extreme soda drinkers receive another huge jolt of caffeine as Mountain Dew introduces its newest beverage— cherry flavored Code Red.

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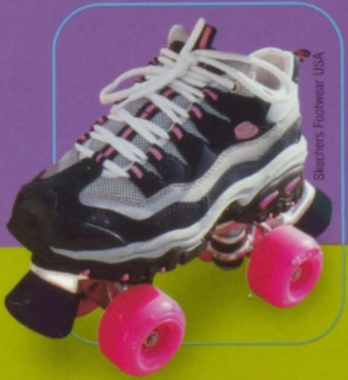
↑ Bobbleheads make a comeback, representing not only sports figures but also pop music superstars such as 'NSYNC.

↓ Teens across the country are on a roll with retro style roller skates and the newest fad: shoes with retractable wheels.



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↓ Cover Girl turns lips into a work of art with LipArt. The new fad comes complete with stencils, a freestyle lip brush and 26 shades for creating unique lip designs.

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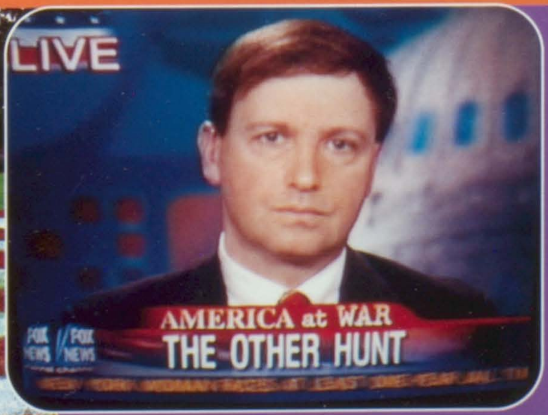
Topps
ENDURING FREEDOM
7 PICTURE CARDS & 1 STICKER

← Topps releases an "Enduring Freedom" card set featuring portraits and bios of many leaders involved, including President Bush and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld.

↓ At 10:45 a.m. September 11, Fox News Channel introduces the headline ticker. Other networks follow, creating a non-stop flood of headlines. Each "crawl" rotates nearly 80 headlines in a 7- to 15-minute loop.



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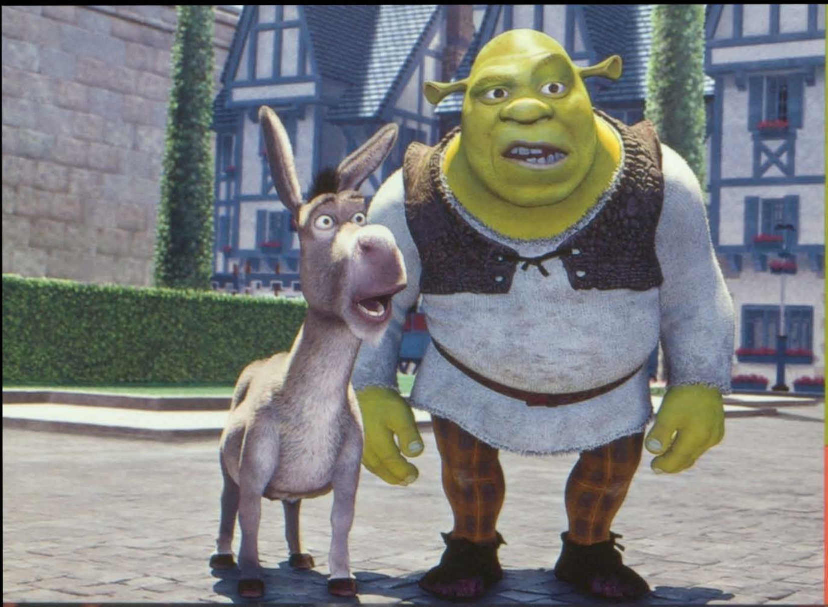
← The American flag shows up anywhere and everywhere as patriots across the country display their support for U.S. troops battling in Operation Enduring Freedom.



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← Shrek and Donkey, voiced by Mike Myers and Eddie Murphy, hit the theaters to teach a valuable lesson about true love in *Shrek*.

→ MTV, the first television network devoted exclusively to popular music, celebrates its 20th anniversary.

↙ CBS's "Late Show with David Letterman" helps people cope with their emotions in the weeks after the September 11 terrorist attacks.

↓ Russell Crowe receives his third straight Oscar nomination for Best Actor with his challenging role as a paranoid-schizophrenic in *A Beautiful Mind*.

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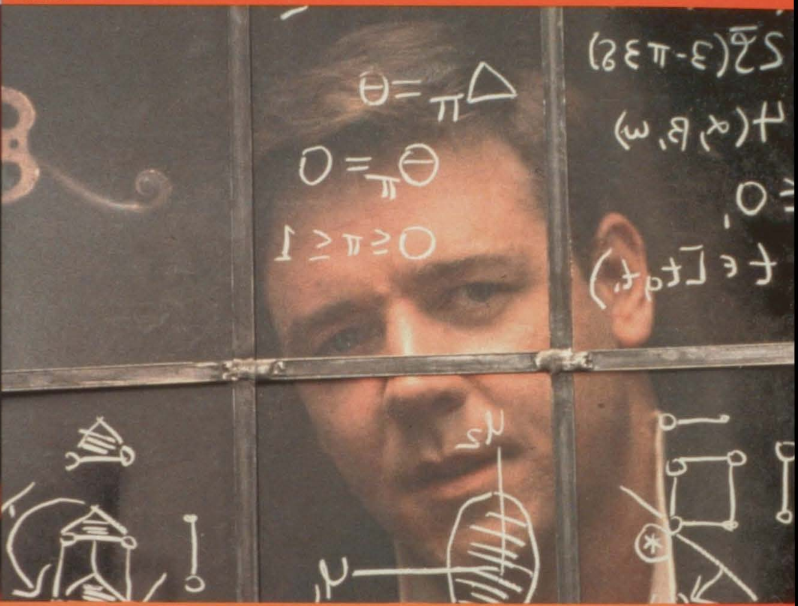

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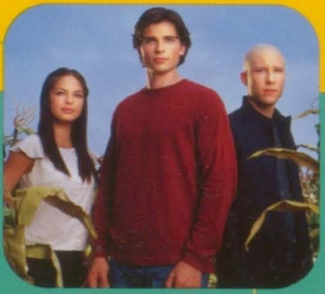

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↑ 1970s Swedish band Abba enjoys revival in the Broadway smash hit *Mamma Mia!* The musical features three intertwined love stories and over 20 of Abba's greatest hits.

↑ The WB scores a flyaway hit with "Smallville," the story of Superman's high school years. The show stars newcomer Tom Welling as the young Superman.

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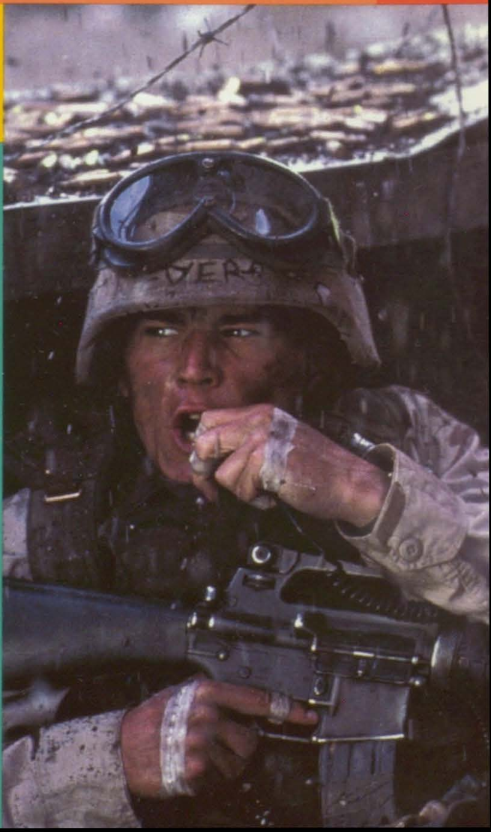
← The Emmy Awards for Best Actress and Best Supporting Actress in a Comedy go to CBS's "Everybody Loves Raymond" stars Patricia Heaton and Doris Roberts.

→ Actor Josh Hartnett solidifies his role as a leading man in Hollywood with a pair of blockbuster war movies: *Pearl Harbor* and *Black Hawk Down*.



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↑ Entertainers and major TV networks come together in historic fashion for the "America: A Tribute to Heroes" telethon, raising over $150 million for September 11 relief efforts.

↑ *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring,* the first movie of J.R.R. Tolkien's fantasy trilogy, receives 13 Oscar nominations including Best Picture.

↓ Nintendo's Gamecube and Microsoft's X-Box enter the video game market to compete with Sony's smash-hit PlayStation 2.

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↓ Steven Spielberg and Tom Hanks collaborate to produce the 10-episode HBO World War II epic *Band of Brothers,* based on the best-selling book by Stephen Ambrose.

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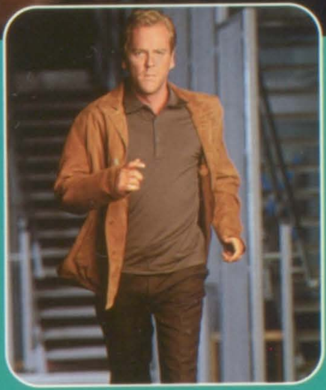

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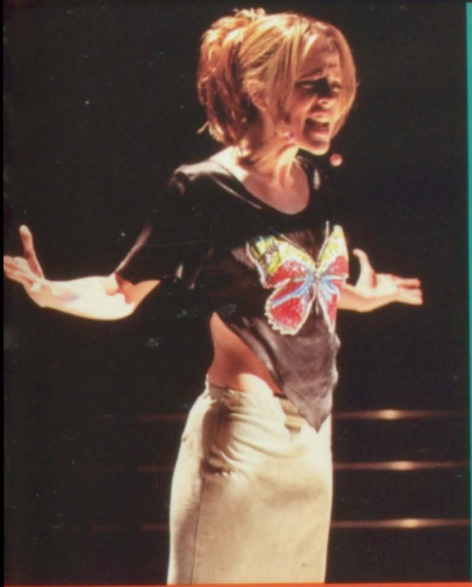
↑ Kiefer Sutherland stars in Fox's Golden Globe winner "24." The show is delivered in two dozen real-time episodes based on one action-packed day in the life of fictional CIA agent Jack Bauer.



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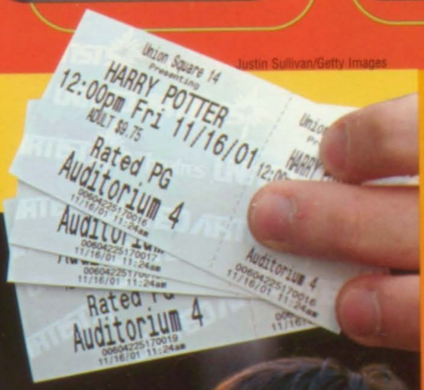
↑ Popular WB TV series "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" receives rave reviews for presenting an entire episode as a musical.

↓ The highly anticipated movie *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* sets records for opening weekend, and first, second and third place single-day box-office totals.



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↑ Sony Pictures, Warner Bros., Universal, MGM and Paramount movie studios discuss the joint creation of Moviefly—the first Internet-based downloadable movie rental system.

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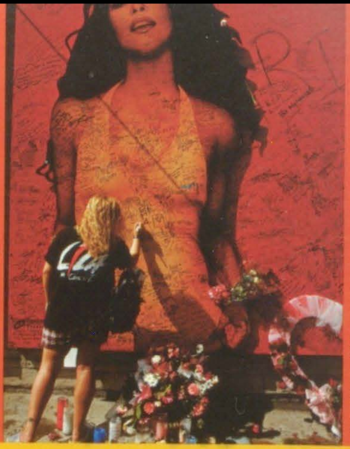
← Popular rapper Ja Rule is nominated for the 2002 NAACP Image Awards Outstanding Hip-Hop/Rap Artist for the song "Livin' It Up."

→ Singer/actress Aaliyah is killed in a private plane crash in the Bahamas. During her eight-year career, Aaliyah released three hit CDs and appeared in several feature films.



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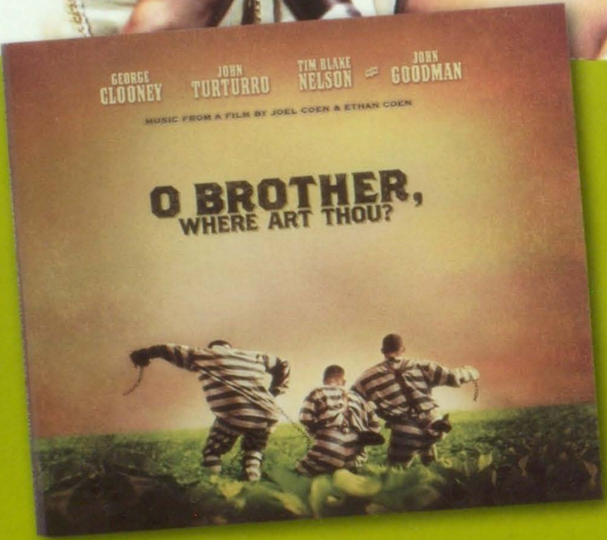
↓ Musicians join together for several concerts, including The Concert for New York City, to pay tribute to the victims and raise money for recovery efforts after the September 11 terrorist attacks.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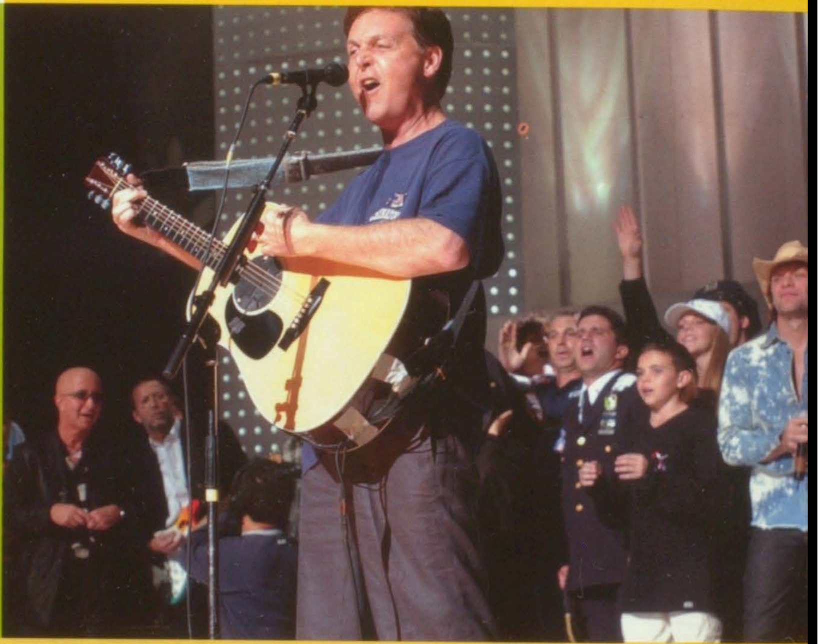
JOHN GOODMAN
MUSIC FROM A FILM BY JOEL COEN & ETHAN COEN
O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU?

↑ The music from the hit movie *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* becomes country music's top-seller for 2001 and receives a Grammy nomination for Album of the Year.



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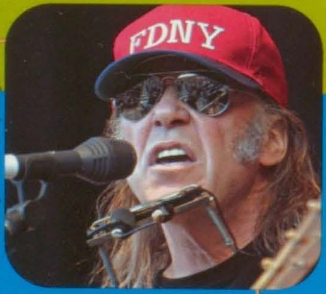

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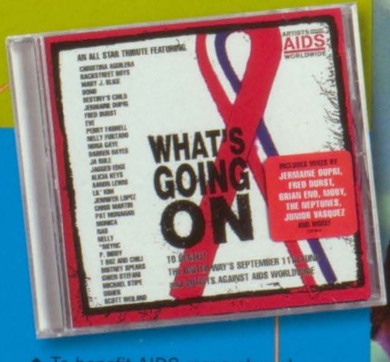
↑ Neil Young's song "Let's Roll" celebrates the spirit of the passengers who overtook hijackers on Flight 93 in Pennsylvania on September 11.


AN ALL STAR TRIBUTE FEATURING
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WHAT'S GOING ON

↑ To benefit AIDS research and September 11 relief efforts, U2's Bono recruits musicians to record Marvin Gaye's "What's Going On." Participating artists include Nelly Furtado, Fred Durst, Gwen Stefani, Moby and many more.

← Colombian music sensation Shakira brings her high-energy Latin pop to the U.S. with her first English-language album, *Laundry Service.*

→ Modern rock group Incubus storms onto the music scene with the release of the widely acclaimed album *Morning View.*

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↑ Irish rock group U2's Elevation Tour is the top-grossing tour of the year, earning U2 the title of Band of the Year from both *Spin* and *Rolling Stone* magazines.

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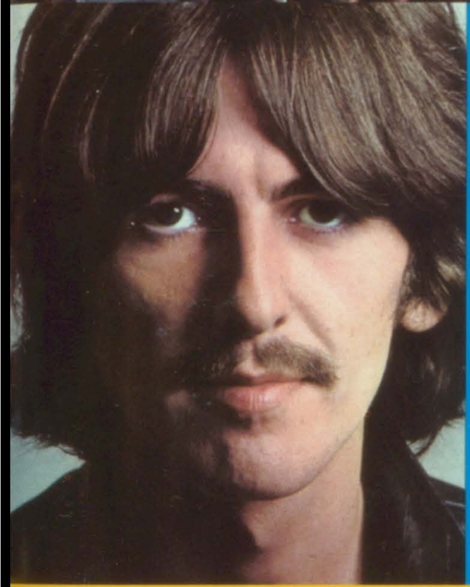
↑ Alicia Keys wins two American Music Awards for Favorite New Artist in both the Pop/Rock and the Soul/R&B categories for her debut release *Songs in A Minor*.



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↑ Legendary Beatles' guitarist George Harrison, the so-called "Quiet Beatle," dies after a three-year battle with cancer.

↓ Fatboy Slim wins six MTV Video Music Awards for his video for the song "Weapon of Choice," featuring a dancing Christopher Walken.

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↓ Country singer Tim McGraw wins five *Billboard* Music Awards, including Country Album of the Year for *Greatest Hits*.

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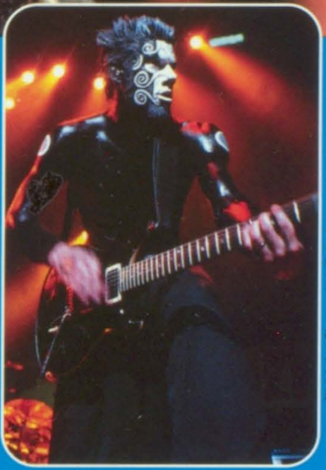

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↑ Limp Bizkit guitarist Wes Borland leaves the band to pursue his own musical career.

↓ Rock bands like P.O.D. use their faith to help bring the Christian rock/pop music message into the mainstream music scene.

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← Australian female string quartet Bond reaches the top of the U.S. classical album charts—despite being blacklisted from the U.K. chart for sounding too similar to pop music.

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← The 14-point underdog New England Patriots shock NFL viewers by kicking a dramatic last-second field goal to upset the St. Louis Rams 20-17 in Super Bowl XXXVI.

→ Michael Jordan, 38, returns to the NBA with the Washington Wizards. Jordan fills arenas nationwide and propels the previously doormat Wizards to instant respectability with an over-500 record.

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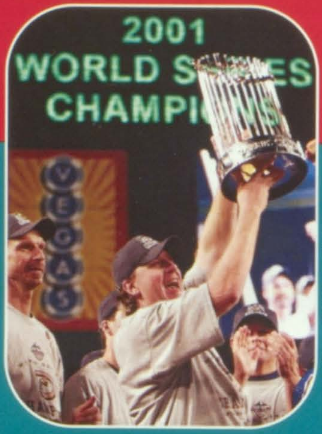

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↓ Swedish golf superstar Annika Sorenstam wins the 2001 money title, eight tournaments and Player of the Year, and sets over 30 LPGA records, including the all-time low score of 59.

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↑ The Arizona Diamondbacks stun the New York Yankees to win the World Series with a two-run rally in the bottom of the ninth inning of Game 7.

← San Francisco's Barry Bonds makes baseball history with 73 home runs and an astounding slugging percentage of .863—both all-time records.

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Sports

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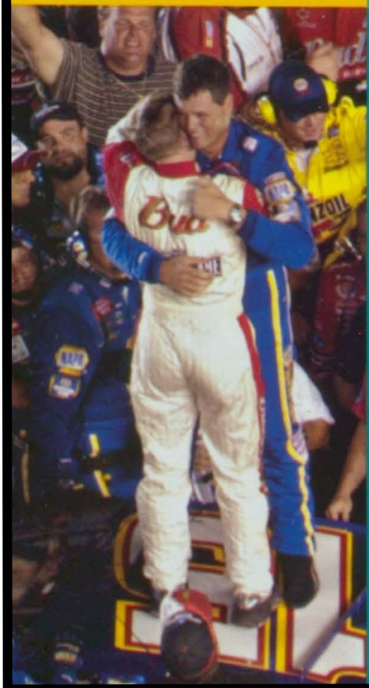
↑ After her team loses only five games all season, playoff MVP Lisa Leslie leads the Los Angeles Sparks over the Charlotte Sting to win the 2001 WNBA Championship.

↑ Snowboarders Danny Kass, Ross Powers and J.J. Thomas give the United States its first medals sweep in the Winter Olympics since 1956.



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← In July, Dale Earnhardt Jr. wins the Pepsi 400 in Daytona, Florida. Ironically, Earnhardt's victory comes on the same track where his father died just five months earlier.

→ In November, NASCAR superstar Jeff Gordon wins his fourth Winston Cup Championship.

2001
NASCAR WINSTON CUP CHAMPION
JEFF GORDON

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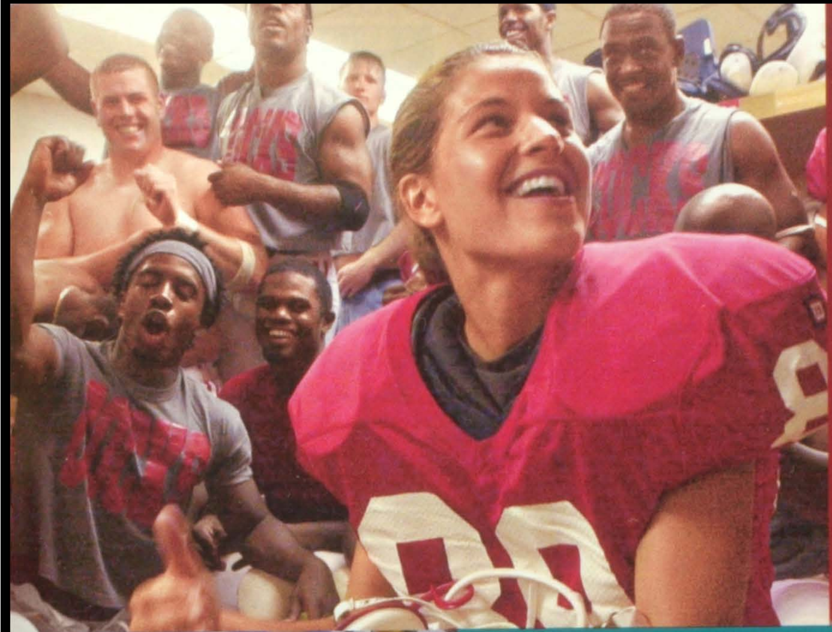

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↑ Former Georgia high school homecoming queen Ashley Martin becomes the first female to score in Division 1-AA college football by kicking three extra points for Jacksonville State.

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↑ The Colorado Avalanche skate to victory in the 2001 NHL Finals against the New Jersey Devils, marking the first Stanley Cup win for 20-year veteran Ray Bourque.

Rick Stewart/Allsport

↑ The NFL season begins on a tragic note when Minnesota Vikings tackle Korey Stringer collapses at practice and dies a day later from heatstroke complications.

↓ Future Hall of Famers Tony Gwynn, Mark McGwire and Cal Ripken Jr. all retire from major league baseball at the end of the 2001 season.

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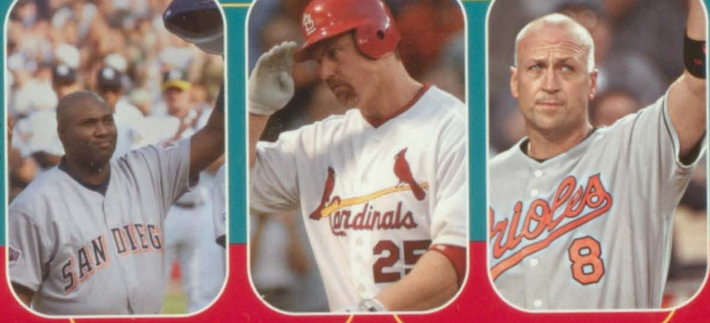

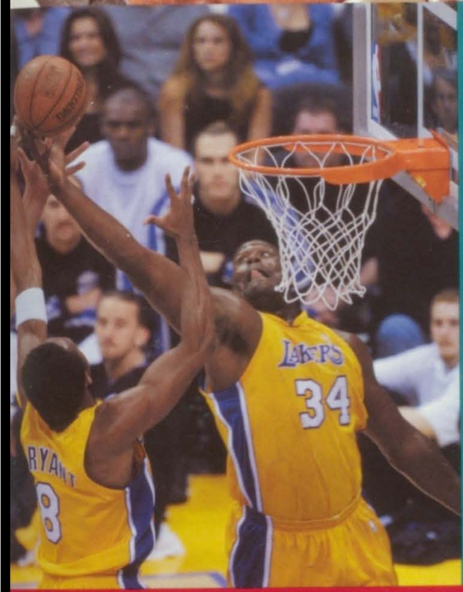

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↑ In 2001, superstars Kobe Bryant and Shaquille O'Neal propel the Los Angeles Lakers to their second straight NBA title.

→ America welcomes athletes from all over the world to Salt Lake City, Utah, to compete in the 2002 Winter Olympics.

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SALT LAKE 2002

↓ On their way to an undefeated season and undisputed NCAA Football national championship, the Miami Hurricanes roll over the Nebraska Cornhuskers 37-14 in the 2002 Rose Bowl.

Mark J. Terrill/AP/Wide World Photos

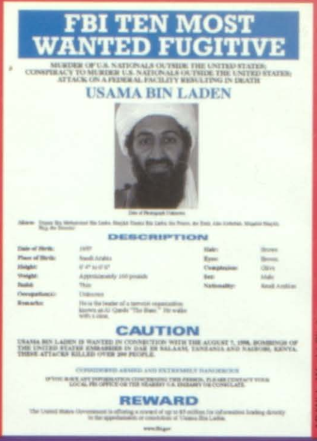
Amy Sancetta/AP/Wide World Photos

↑ In the first Saturday night women's U.S. Open final, tennis ace Venus Williams defeats her younger sister Serena 6-2, 6-4.

Stan Honda/AFP

← An estimated 350 search-and-rescue dogs brave fire, dehydration, toxic fumes and rubble collapse as they comb the World Trade Center wreckage for survivors and victims.

→ Terrorist mastermind Osama bin Laden tops the FBI's most wanted list for his role in the September 11 terrorist attacks.



FBI TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVE

MURDER OF U.S. NATIONALS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES; CONSPIRACY TO MURDER U.S. NATIONALS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES; ATTACK ON A FEDERAL FACILITY RESULTING IN DEATH

USAMA BIN LADEN

DESCRIPTION

CAUTION

USAMA BIN LADEN IS WANTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE AUGUST 7, 1998, BOMBINGS OF THE UNITED STATES EMBASSIES IN DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA AND NAIROBI, KENYA. THESE ATTACKS KILLED OVER 200 PEOPLE.

CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS

REWARD

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← Sarah Jane Olson, once known as Kathleen Soliah, is charged with domestic terrorism as a member of the Symbionese Liberation Army in the 1970s and sentenced to 20 years to life.

↓ Hired as campus spokesmen for First USA Bank, New Jersey high school seniors Chris Barrett and Luke McCabe become the first students to finance their college educations through corporate sponsorship.

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PERSON OF THE YEAR
TIME
RUDY GIULIANI
TOWER OF STRENGTH

← New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani makes many public appearances in an effort to make New Yorkers and all Americans less afraid to return to normalcy after September 11.

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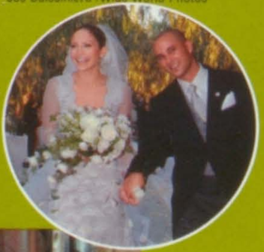

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→ Actress/singer Jennifer Lopez marries dancer/choreographer Cris Judd in September.

WELL DONE!
BIGGIE
Wendy's

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↑ Wendy's founder and familiar television figure Dave Thomas succumbs to liver cancer at age 69.

Jill Connelly/AP/Wide World Photos

↑ NBC's TV game show "The Weakest Link" gains popularity thanks to the assertive demeanor of British hostess Anne Robinson.

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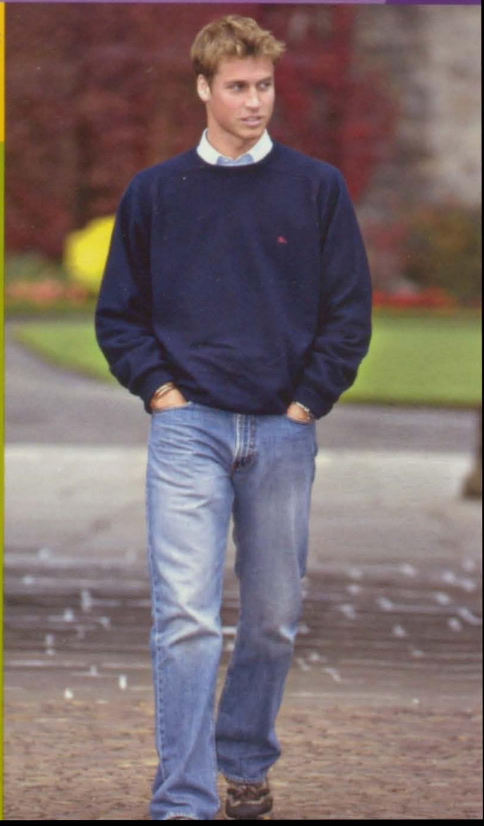
← John Walker Lindh, a 20-year-old California native, becomes a prisoner of war after he is found in Afghanistan fighting for the Taliban forces. As a U.S. citizen, Walker may face charges of treason.



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→ The future king of England, Prince William of Wales, 19, enters the University of St. Andrews in southeastern Scotland.

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